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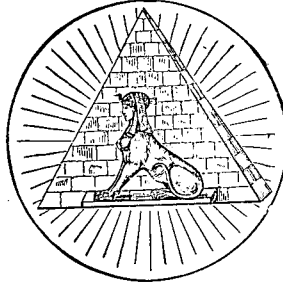
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OF THE
NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE,

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FOR NORTH AMERICA.

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FIFTEENTH ANNUAL PROCEEDINGS,
JUNE 17, 1889,
HELD AT CHICAGO, ILL.



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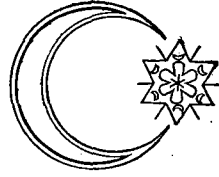
NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE,

FOR

NORTH AMERICA.

OFFICERS FOR 1889-1892.

SAM. BRIGGS	<i>Imperial Potentate,</i>
CLEVELAND, O.	
HENRY E. HOSLEY	<i>Imperial Deputy Potentate,</i>
BOSTON, MASS.	
WILLIAM B. MELISH	<i>Imperial Chief Rabban,</i>
CINCINNATI, O.	
THOMAS J. HUDSON	<i>Imperial Assistant Rabban,</i>
PITTSBURGH, PA.	
JOHN T. BRUSH	<i>Imperial High Priest and Prophet,</i>
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.	
BRUCE GOODFELLOW	<i>Imperial Oriental Guide,</i>
DETROIT, MICH.	
JOSEPH S. WRIGHT	<i>Imperial Treasurer,</i>
PHILADELPHIA, PA.	
FRANK M. LUCE	<i>Imperial Recorder,</i>
CHICAGO, ILL.	
WILLIAM H. MAYO	<i>Imperial First Ceremonial Master,</i>
ST. LOUIS, MO.	
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BROOKLYN, N. Y.	
CYRUS W. EATON	<i>Imperial Marshal,</i>
CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.	
EDWARD C. CULP	<i>Imperial Captain of the Guard,</i>
SALINA, KANSAS.	
CHARLES L. FIELD	<i>Imperial Outer Guard,</i>
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.	
THEODORE ELMENDORF	<i>Imperial Assistant Guard,</i>
CLEVELAND, O.	



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For North America.

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FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION—1889.



URSUANT to Resolution of June 25, 1888, the Fifteenth Annual Session of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America was held at Al Beyt Ullahi 'l Haram of Medinah Temple, in the City of Chicago, Illinois, on Nahar el Etnin, the 18th day of the tenth Arabic month of Shawwal, A. H. 1306, corresponding to Monday, the 17th day of June, A. D. 1889, at 9 o'clock A. M., and in accordance with the Notice issued to all Officers, Members, and Temples, as follows:



ANNUAL NOTICE.

OFFICE OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE,
CLEVELAND, OHIO. May 1, 1889.

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE :



THE Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for the United States of America will hold its Fifteenth Annual Session on MONDAY, JUNE 17, 1889, at 9 o'clock A. M., at Al Beyt Ullahi 'l Haram. Consistory Rooms, No. 78 Monroe Street, Chicago, Ill.

The Headquarters of the Congress will be at the Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

All Nobles who will be in attendance are respectfully requested to correspond with Noble Frank M. Luce, Recorder of Medinah Temple, No. 17 C. & N. W. Ry. Pass. Depot, Chicago, Ill., in reference to Rooms, that accommodations may be secured in time.

It is earnestly hoped that the Officers and Representatives will be in attendance.

It is absolutely necessary that Delegates should arrive at Chicago by Sunday evening, June 16, to facilitate dispatch of business on June 17.

RAILROAD FARES.—Reduced Rates on Railroads to Chicago have been allowed by the Central Traffic Association, to persons attending the Imperial Council. Each person must purchase, not more than three days before Session, a first-class ticket to Chicago, paying one *regular fare*, and procuring from the Ticket Agent a printed Certificate thereof, which will be signed at Chicago by Noble James McGee, Imperial Oriental Guide, and on which the holder, within three days after Session, will receive a return ticket, at one-third the price paid before. This Association covers points west of Buffalo, Pittsburgh, and Toronto, to Western line of Cook Co., Ill., Illinois and Mississippi Rivers, both sides, including Burlington to Cairo, and between the Lakes and Ohio River.

The Trunk Line Passenger Committee also allow the same reduction, on the same terms, and with the same directions. This Line covers points East of Niagara, Pittsburgh, Wheeling, and Parkersburg.

The Western States Passenger Association also allow the same reduction, on the same terms, and with the same directions. This Association covers Railroads in Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin.

Parties outside the jurisdiction of the above Associations should procure passage to the nearest point of such Association, where they can procure tickets as above.

TEMPLES UNDER DISPENSATION.—Temples under Dispensation are hereby ordered to transmit to the Imperial Recorder a full Report of all work done up to June 1, 1889, with the fees for all Nobles and the Annual Dues, and accompanied with the Dispensation, for the consideration of the Imperial Council.

BUSINESS.—The Active Members of the Imperial Council are hereby requested to transmit immediately to the Imperial Recorder any complaints, suggestions, amendments, resolutions, motions, or other special business, that unnecessary delay may be avoided during the Session.

COMMITTEES.—All Committees are requested to have their Reports ready for presentation at the Session, as far as possible. The following are the Standing Committees :

I.—*Transactions of the Imperial Officers*.—Nobles Charles T. McClenachan, Thomas J. Hudson, John W. Haseltine.

II.—*Dispensations and Charters*.—Nobles Richard P. Marvin, Jr., James H. Thompson, William Ryan.

III.—*Finance and Accounts*.—Nobles Charles H. Heyzer, Horace W. Hubbard, Cyrus W. Eaton.

IV.—*Grievances and Appeals*.—Nobles George W. Millar, Edward B. Jordan, William Ryan.

V.—*Jurisprudence and Laws*.—Nobles Charles T. McClenachan, William B. Melish, Henry E. Hosley.

VI.—*Mileage and Pay of Representatives*.—Nobles Joseph B. Eakins, Charles H. Heyzer, James McGee.

VII.—*Foreign Correspondence*.—Nobles Cyrus W. Eaton, George W. Millar, William S. Paterson.

VIII.—*Ritual*.—Nobles Cyrus W. Eaton, Charles T. McClenachan, George W. Millar.

IX.—*Deceased Members*.—Nobles William C. Nickum, Thomas J. Hudson, Richard P. Marvin, Jr.

Your presence at this coming Session of the Imperial Council is paternally solicited.

Courteously yours in the Shrine,

SAM. BRIGGS,

IMPERIAL POTENTATE.

WILLIAM S. PATERSON,

IMPERIAL RECORDER.



PRESENT AT OPENING.

OFFICERS.

M. . Ill. .	SAM BRIGGS.....	Imperial Potentate.
Ill. .	JOSEPH B. EAKINS.....	Imperial Deputy Potentate.
"	JAMES H. THOMPSON.....	Imperial Chief Rabban.
"	HENRY E. HOSLEY.....	Imperial Assistant Rabban.
"	JOHN T. BRUSH.....	Imperial High Priest and Prophet.
"	JAMES MCGEE.....	Imperial Oriental Guide.
"	JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	as Imperial Treasurer.
"	WILLIAM S. PATERSON.....	Imperial Recorder.
"	CHARLES H. FLACH.....	Imperial First Cer. Master.
"	WILLIAM RYAN.....	Imperial Second Cer. Master.
"	FRANK LOCKÉ.....	as Imperial Marshal.
"	GEORGE E. PANTLIND.....	Imperial Captain of the Guard.
"	MATHEW R. WOLFF.....	as Imperial Outer Guard.
"	THEODORE ELMENDORF.....	Imperial Assistant Guard.

EMERITUS MEMBER.

Noble	CHARLES W. TORREY.....	Staten Island, N. Y.
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ACTIVE MEMBERS.

Noble	GEORGE P. BALMAIN.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"	THADDEUS B. BEECHER.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
"	SAM. BRIGGS.....	Cleveland, O.
"	JOHN T. BRUSH.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
"	EDWARD C. CULP.....	Salina, Kan.
"	JOSEPH B. EAKINS.....	New York, N. Y.
"	CYRUS W. EATON.....	Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
"	CHARLES H. FLACH.....	Cincinnati, O.
"	JAMES A. FOX.....	Cambridge, Mass.
"	JOHN W. HASELTINE.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	HENRY E. HOSLEY.....	South Boston, Mass.
"	HORACE W. HUBBARD.....	Cleveland, O.
"	EDWARD B. JORDAN.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	FREDERICK LEIBRANDT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	FRANK LOCKE.....	Boston, Mass.
"	HENRY H. MCGAFFEY.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
"	JAMES MCGEE.....	New York, N. Y.
"	RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.....	Akron, O.
"	JOHN A. MAY.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	WILLIAM H. MAYO.....	St. Louis, Mo.

Noble	WILLIAM B. MELISH.....	Cincinnati, O.
"	WILLIAM C. NICKUM.....	Baltimore, Md.
"	GEORGE E. PANTLIND.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.
"	WILLIAM S. PATERSON.....	New York, N. Y.
"	WILLIAM RYAN.....	Louisville, Ky.
"	WILLIAM A. STILES.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	JAMES H. THOMPSON.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	MATHEW R. WOLFF.....	Wheeling, W. Va.
"	JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.

REPRESENTATIVES OF TEMPLES

A large number of the Representatives of the various Temples was present, as noted under the Report on Credentials and Election of Officers.

VISITORS.

A large number of the Nobles of the Order, who were visitors from various parts of the United States and Canada, was present during the Session.

OPENING.



THE Imperial Council in Annual Session was opened in full Ceremonial Form.

The IMPERIAL HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET delivered the solemn Invocation of the Order.

The Imperial Council was declared open in Ample Form, and in order for business.

The Roll of Officers was called, those present are recorded above, and appointments were made to fill the vacancies temporarily, as noted in the list of Officers.

ADMISSION OF NOBLES.

On motion of Noble HENRY E. HOSELEY, it was—

Resolved, That all properly accredited Nobles of the Mystic Shrine be, and are hereby, invited to be present during the Session of the Imperial Council.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION.



THE Imperial Recorder announced that the Proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Session had been printed, and sent to all Members of the Imperial Council, and to all Temples.

On motion, the reading of the last Annual Proceedings was dispensed with.

On motion of Noble CYRUS W. EATON, it was—

Resolved, That the Proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Session, as printed, be, and they are hereby, approved and adopted.



ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Most Illustrious Potentate, SAM. BRIGGS, submitted and delivered the following Annual Address:

OASIS OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, June 8, 1889.

"WAKE! for the Sun, who scatter'd into flight
The Stars before him from the Field of Night,
Drives Night along with them from Heav'n, and strikes
The Sultan's Turret with a Shaft of Light."

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL:

"ES SELAMU ALEIKUM:"



ILLUSTRIOUS ASSOCIATES:

Fortune again permits us to assemble this Imperial Body, and mutually exchange the greetings enjoined by the Prophet, and this occasion possesses more than usual interest from the fact that it closes a Triennial term—a season of unexampled prosperity and glory to the Order.

In accordance with the usual custom, I shall present a brief of the transactions of your officers, who have endeavored to serve you

"With hearts create of duty and of zeal,"

and, as concisely as may be, I shall recommend such legislation for your consideration as the experience of the past year in the administration of the Imperial office would seem to dictate.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

The vitality of the Institution still continues unimpaired, and prosperity is within the walls of each subordinate Temple which holds a Charter from this Imperial Council. At each oasis where a Dispensation has been issued during the past year, or where continued from previous years, there exists the same interest and enthusiasm which has always pervaded the communities in which, and for whose benefit, Temples have been established.

The edict of 13th July last, prohibiting the communication of the Order except under emergent conditions, which should alone warrant the issue of Dispensation for such purpose, has aroused the officers of subordinate Bodies to the importance of the Ritual and accessories, until now there is not to my knowledge any Temple in this jurisdiction which is not fully equipped and in condition to render the ceremonial as prescribed by the Statutes.

The only instances in which Dispensations for communication of the Order have been granted, and for reasons deemed sufficient, were as follows :

August 27, 1888, Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kansas. To Sir J. S. Collins, Kt.

September 5, 1888, Affi Temple, Tacoma, Washington Territory. To ten (10) Sir Knights for organization.

January 2, 1889, Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Florida. To Sir Joseph Yates Porter, Kt.

February 5, 1889, Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y. To Sir John S. Cunningham, Kt.

April 6, 1889, Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y. To Sir George West, Kt.

April 13, 1889, Islam Temple, San Francisco, Cal. To Sir Philo Dennis Jewett, Kt.

May 11, 1889, Affi Temple, Tacoma, Washington Territory. To Sir Ross O'Brien, Kt.

THE FRATERNAL DEAD.

“ For some we loved, the loveliest and the best
That from his Vintage rolling Time hath prest,
Have drunk their Cup a Round or two before,
And one by one crept silently to rest.
And we that now make merry in the Room
They left, and Summer dresses in new bloom,
Ourselves must we beneath the Couch of Earth
Descend—ourselves to make a Couch—for whom ?”

The first instance of the invasion of the official divan of this Imperial Council by the fateful Azrail occurred during the past year. On the 20th August, 1888, Illustrious Noble Joseph Myers Levéy, Imperial Treasurer and Active Member of this Council, was suddenly summoned hence to the portals of the Unseen Temple.

His decease was announced officially at the time of his demise, and I can add but little to the testimony therein in reference to the superior qualities and reputation of our associate.

His official relations with this Council were most pleasant, and his duties were performed with scrupulous and honorable exactness.

I would suggest that the contents of the Official Circular, accompanied by a portrait of Noble Levéy, be published in the Proceedings of this Session.

A ripe sheaf of wheat was garnered by the Master, on October 22, 1888, in the beloved form of Illustrious John W. Simons, of New York. Entering early in the field of Masonry, he became celebrated throughout the world for his scholarship and devotion to the Craft. His well-known life needs no encomium at my hand. He was one of the first thirteen who instituted the Order of the Mystic Shrine, in 1871, organized Mecca Temple in 1872, and was Active Member of this Imperial Council from 1877 to 1881.

Noble Theodore E. Haslehurst, a Past Active Member of this Imperial Council, was a member of the various Orders of Masonry located at Troy, N. Y., in which he had been honored with the highest offices; was an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and in 1887 attained the highest dignity in the Grand Commandery of New York. He was a Charter Member of Oriental Temple in 1877, and from 1883 to 1886 was an Active Member of this Imperial Council. Hardly at the meridian of life, his star was dimmed, and he entered the Unseen Temple December 4, 1888.

From Baltimore, we were advised that on the evening of February 6, 1889, Illustrious William H. Klinesmith, Treasurer of Boumi Temple of that city, suddenly deceased.

He was reputed an active, earnest, zealous member of our Order, and was Commander of Baltimore Commandery at the time of his death, by which body his obsequies were performed.

Ill. Hial O. Hatch, a charter member of Mount Sinai Temple of Montpelier, Vermont, deceased March 11, 1889, an honored Noble, and an active worker in all branches of the Masonic Institution.

One of the first officers of this Imperial Council, Noble Samuel Harper, entered the Unseen Temple on May 16th last. Born in Pittsburgh, Pa., in August, 1837, he received a public school education, and was admitted to the bar in 1859. During the rebellion he served in the State Volunteers, became First Lieutenant, and was made Regimental Quartermaster. He continued to take active interest in military matters, and was Secretary of the State Commission of the Gettysburg National Cemetery. He resumed his legal practice, and was justly celebrated for his learning. He was a member of St. John's Lodge, No. 219, and for several years Past Master. Entering Zerubbabel Chapter, No. 162, he became a Charter Member of Shiloh Chapter, and its first High Priest. He received the Orders in Pittsburgh Commandery, No. 1, and became a Charter Member of Tancred Commandery, No. 48, and subsequently was Eminent Commander. In the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite he received the degrees in the Pittsburgh Bodies, filled many offices, and was for sixteen years the Commander-in-Chief. He received the Thirty-third Degree on December 5, 1871, and was crowned Active Member on September 22, 1881. In the Grand Bodies of Masonry he was very active, and was for twenty-five years the recognized authority on all matters

appertaining to Masonic jurisprudence. He had affiliations with many associations, and held prominent positions in all. In the Mystic Shrine he was created a Noble in 1876, became Grand Marshal of the Imperial Council at its formation in 1876, was an Active Member thereof till 1881, and was commissioned Deputy for Pennsylvania. He organized Syria Temple in 1877, and was its Illustrious Potentate until 1886. In civil, military, legal, and Masonic work, he was a brilliant exemplar. A widow, two sons, and three daughters mourn his loss.

I would recommend that the proper notice be taken of these occurrences by the insertion of memorial pages in the volume of Proceedings for this Session.

"The tokened pestilence, where Death is sure," has made sad inroads upon the community where was located the youngest of our Chartered Temples, Morocco, at Jacksonville, Florida, and the history of the sad event is the most doleful chronicle of the year 1888. The scourge was most pitiful. An entire city depopulated, the marts of trade laid waste, and naught to be seen in the silent streets but the wasting victim, the sad procession to the silent tomb, and the unwearying physician and the self-sacrificing nurse plying their merciful trade among those stricken down or unable to flee from the path of the fell contagion.

The officers and members of Morocco Temple, aided by associate Knights Templar, organized themselves into a "relief corps," and, full knightly with their armor on, displayed the beauties of fraternal love and affection to all the suffering, irrespective of race, creed, or affiliation.

Illustrious Noble Baldwin, the Recorder of Morocco Temple, himself a physician, fell a victim in the combat against the destroyer; while his associates, Mallett, Ely, Dunn, and McLain, equally braving the danger, carried on the work of charity so well begun and stoutly maintained, until

"The icy fang and churlish chiding of the winter's wind"
drove the grim demon of Despair back to his hiding place.

Well and nobly were the labors of this grand quintette aided by the Fraternity throughout the land, to whom no appeal for aid was ever made in vain. Brother, Companion, Frater, Noble, all vied with one another in the grand work, and a steady stream of needed supplies poured forth from every town, village, and hamlet, with funds aggregating nearly *eleven thousand dollars*, which went to this "Templar Relief Corps" alone.

The acknowledgments received classify the contributions to this noble humanitarian work as follows:

Commanderies	\$5,904 50
Temples.....	2,769 25
Individuals	1,080 10
Lodges.....	730 00
Total.....	\$10,483 85

A special committee should, I think, make suitable recorded recognition in the Minutes of this Council.

Another calamity, equally calling for our sympathies and material aid, has occurred within our borders, the loss of life and property, and the incident distress, being well known to us all. I have presumed upon the sentiment of this Imperial Body, and have directed the sum of five hundred dollars to be forwarded for the relief fund at Johnstown, Pa.

Thus far there have been contributed for the relief of the Johnstown sufferers the following amounts :

Imperial Council.....	\$500 00
Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth.....	50 00
Aleppo Temple, Boston.....	100 00
Al Koran Temple, Cleveland (\$200 through local Committee) ..	300 00
Almas Temple, Washington.....	25 00
Boumi Temple, Baltimore.....	50 00
El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids.....	50 00
Kismet Temple, Brooklyn.....	50 00
Kosair Temple, Louisville.....	25 00
Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia (\$500 through Grand Lodge Pennsylvania).....	775 00
Mecca Temple, New York.....	250 00
Murat Temple, Indianapolis.....	100 00
Oriental Temple, Troy.....	50 00
Osiris Temple, Wheeling....	50 00
Osman Temple, Saint Paul.....	100 00
Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport.....	100 00
Sesostris Temple, Lincoln.....	25 00
Syria Temple, Pittsburgh.....	200 00
Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee.....	50 00
Total	\$2,850 00

TRANSACTIONS OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

The continued courtesy and interest manifested by the officers and members of this Imperial Council in the propagation of this Order, and their alacrity in advancing its cause, are again to be commended, and more than the ordinary meed of praise is their due—individually and collectively.

Imperial powers were granted to the following Nobles as Deputies during the past year for the performance of the several duties mentioned :

July 20, 1888, Potentate Edward C. Culp, of Isis Temple, to enthrone Potentate elect, El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col.

September 5, 1888, Noble Frank S. Hastings, Director Abdallah Temple, to institute Affi Temple, Tacoma, Washington Territory.

November 20, 1888, Imperial Chief Rabban James H. Thompson, to visit and inspect Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, O.

December 28, 1888, Noble Taliesin Evans, Recorder Ziyara Temple, to install officers-elect of said Temple.

January 23, 1889, Noble E. Bentley Young, Aleppo Temple, to install officers elect of said Temple.

January 25, 1889, Potentate George F. Loder, Damascus Temple, to install officers-elect of Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.

April 19, 1889, Past Potentate Joseph K. Ashby, Hella Temple, to institute Sahara Temple, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

April 20, 1889, Imperial Chief Rabban James H. Thompson, to visit and inspect Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.

All of which Deputies who have performed their respective commissions have made the Constitutional returns to this office.

As provided in the Constitution, the By-laws of Ismailia Temple, Osiris Temple, Syria Temple, El Jebel Temple, have been presented for approval, the same conditionally endorsed, and are herewith submitted, for the action of this Imperial Council.

At the decease of Imperial Treasurer Levéy, I appointed Illustrious George W. Millar, of New York, as Imperial Treasurer for the balance of the Triennial term.

Illustrious Noble Millar, and the Illustrious Recorder Paterson, have each filed with me their official bonds, as required by Articles VIII. and IX. of the Constitution.

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.

Dispensations for special purposes have been issued during the past year as follows :

September 24-25, 1888, El Jebel Temple, to hold Special Session.

October 5, 1888, Medinah Temple, same.

October 5, 1888, Lu Lu Temple, same, during current year.

October 29, 1888, Algeria Temple, same, during current year.

November 21, 1888, Moolah Temple, same.

November 30, 1888, Lu Lu Temple, same, until June 1, 1889.

November 30, 1888, Moolah Temple, same.

December 8, 1888, Medinah Temple, to hold Election.

December 21, 1888, Mt. Sinai Temple, same.

December —, 1888, Al Kader Temple, same.

January 14, 1889, El Jebel Temple, to hold Special Session.

January 25, 1889, Ararat Temple, same.

February 2, 1889, Sesostri Temple, same.

February 4, 1889, Isis Temple, same.

February 22, 1889, Acca Temple, same, until June 17, 1889.

March 15, 1889, Sesostris Temple, same.

March 16, 1889, El Jebel Temple, same.

March 23, 1889, Moolah Temple, same.

April 13, 1889, Hella Temple, same.

April 23, 1889, Abdallah Temple, same.

April 24, 1889, Sesostris Temple, same.

April 29, 1889, Moila Temple, same.

May 11, 1889, Afifi Temple, same.

October 8-9, 1888, El Jebel Temple, to confer Order at Salt Lake City, Utah.

January 23, 1889, Islam Temple, to receive petitions from Nevada.

By authority of the Fourteenth Imperial Council, Charters have been issued to

ALGERIA TEMPLE	Helena, Montana.
ARARAT TEMPLE	Kansas City, Missouri.
EL RIAD TEMPLE	Sioux Falls, Dakota.
ISMAILIA TEMPLE	Buffalo, New York.
KISMET TEMPLE.....	Brooklyn, New York.
RAMESES TEMPLE	Toronto, Ontario.
AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE.....	Los Angeles, California.
EL JEBEL TEMPLE	Denver, Colorado.
HELLA TEMPLE.....	Dallas, Texas.
JERUSALEM TEMPLE.....	New Orleans, Louisiana.
MOROCCO TEMPLE.....	Jacksonville, Florida.
SESOSTRIS TEMPLE	Lincoln, Nebraska.

It having been discovered that Syria Temple, of Pittsburgh, was still working under a Dispensation issued May 9, 1877—a Charter having been recommended, but through inadvertence not having been issued—a Charter was, therefore, issued as of the proper date, and forwarded to the Temple January 7, 1889.

The Dispensation heretofore issued to Saltanat Temple, London, Ontario, was, by the order of this Imperial Council, withdrawn, and upon request Potentate Andrew W. Porte surrendered said document, and the members of said Temple were remanded to their former allegiance in Moslem Temple, Detroit.

On September 5, 1888, Dispensation was issued to form and open Afifi Temple at Tacoma, Washington Territory.

On April 19, 1889, Dispensation was issued to form and open Tangier Temple at Omaha, Nebraska, and Sahara Temple at Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Correspondence relative to the establishment of Temples has been had with Nobles resident at many places, the conditions of which negotiations are briefly appended:

Providence, R. I., Negotiating for consent of Palestine Temple at Newport, or a removal of the latter Temple to former city. Matter

referred to Imperial Assistant Rabban Hosley, March 24, 1889, and favorable progress has been reported, though no definite conclusion is yet attained.

Moberly, Mo., Consent of nearest Temple denied.

Topeka, Kan., Consent of nearest Temple denied.

Little Rock, Ark., Joined with Sahara Temple at Pine Bluff.

Osceola, Iowa, Consent of nearest Temple doubtful.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nothing developed.

Nashville, Tenn., same.

Memphis, Tenn., same.

Atlanta, Ga., same.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

During the past year several Visits of Inspection were made to various Temples by myself and Imperial Chief Rabban Thompson at my request :

June 26, 1888, Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.

September 20, 1888, Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.

October 22, 1888, Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.

November 20, 1888, Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

(Inspected by Illustrious James H. Thompson.)

November 30, 1888, Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.

January 18, 1889, Mt. Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vt.

January 29, 1889, Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.

January 30, 1889, Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.

February 20, 1889, El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

February 27, 1889, Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.

March 6, 1889, Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.

March 7, 1889, Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.

March 29, 1889, Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.

April 26, 1889, Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.

April 27, 1889, Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio.

May 13, 1889, Cyprus Temple, Albany, N. Y.

From the report of the Imperial Chief Rabban and my own experience and observation, I am convinced that these official visits have been satisfactorily and encouragingly repaid by an absolute personal knowledge of the condition and growth of the subordinate Temples.

In every instance a high and appreciative order of talent has been gathered in the official divans, and the rendition of the Ritual in each Temple visited has been elaborate, accurate, intelligent, and impressive.

The social feature appears well guarded, and the postprandial exercises evince a well concerted effort on the part of the officers of the Temples to vie with each other in elaborating and varying the entertainment at each successive Session, thereby increasing the interest in

the observances, and contributing to that most to be desired end, an intimate and fraternal intercourse among the members.

Did I possess that facile use of adjectives which is characteristic of the Imperial Chief Rabban, I might discourse particularly of special occasions in connection with these visitations, and individual courtesies tendered, all of which were most heartily appreciated; and to mention one special occasion, or to name one individual Noble, would be to pass the same encomium upon all—that of thorough characteristic Arabian hospitality. I join the Imperial Chief Rabban in his criticisms upon some of the accessories used in Temples, yet with him I agree that time will “wear out” many of these, and uniformity yet be attained. The costumes worn in most Temples, while not strictly in accordance with Statutory requirements, cannot be condemned as inappropriate, and the musical feature is steadily moving forward until it now eclipses any similar ritualistic feature in other institutions.

A feature in some Temples may be properly mentioned and recommended; that is, the utility of having two or three Nobles learn each of the official “lines”—say, let the Potentate, High Priest, and the Rabbans have each two or three “understudies,” who shall be familiar with the entire Ritual. The availability of this arrangement will commend itself to the subordinate Temples without further discussion.

The *Director* holds a most important office, and, his functions requiring him to be everywhere, he could materially aid in the work by being “dead-letter-perfect” in the Ritual.

An excursion for the exemplification of the Ritual and the advancement of the interests of the Order in the Southern States, has been under advisement during the past year, but has been held in abeyance by reason of the unfortunate season of pestilence at Jacksonville, Florida, and the consequent despond engendered thereby in that immediate vicinity and in other parts of that section of our jurisdiction.

It was designed to visit not only Jacksonville and New Orleans, but also Birmingham, Alabama; Nashville and Memphis, Tennessee; and Atlanta, Georgia, all of which points, where Temples have not been established, have evinced a desire to look upon our mysteries, and erect a Temple for their observance.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Imperial Office still is the centre of inquiry, and the interest in the Ancient Arabic Order still continues to be manifest.

During the Triennial Term, expiring with this Session, there have been 1,700 letters written, of which copies have been preserved for reference, besides as many more unimportant queries replied to, of which no record has been made.

With the year ending June, 1887, of the former class were written 326 ; June, 1887, to June, 1888, 550 ; June, 1888, to June, 1889, 824.

The number of Diplomas passing through this office since June, 1886, was as follows:

Year ending June, 1887.....	1,786
“ “ “ 1888.....	3,520
“ “ “ 1889	2,825

Or a grand total of 8,131

In the month of February I commissioned Illustrious John Worthington, of Valetta, Malta, our Representative of Temples in the East, as a Special Envoy of this Imperial Council to visit such Temples as he might safely and conveniently reach, conveying to the Potentates and Nobles the greeting of this Body.

His elaborate report, embracing nearly sixty pages manuscript, has been received, and will be found in its appropriate place in these Proceedings.

EXPENSES OF IMPERIAL OFFICE.

For the thirteen months ending June 4, 1889, the expenses of this office have been as follows:

For travelling expenses Imperial Potentate	\$1,168 55
“ “ “ Special Deputies.....	82 00
For contingent expenses Imperial Office.....	260 26

Total expenses.....\$1,510 81

Of funds drawn for expenses there remains at this time in my hands (June 4) \$500.

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

While our revenues for the year last past have not been equal to those of the year next preceding, yet we have reason to congratulate ourselves on our prosperity, and the general condition of the Imperial Treasury.

A comparison of the years 1885 to 1888 inclusive, with revenue calculated to date of Imperial Council Session, shows the following very flattering exhibit:

	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.
Membership, Jan. 1....	3,273	4,938	7,210	10,377
Temples, Jan. 1.....	30	37	48	50
	1885-6.	1886-7.	1887-8.	1888-9.
Revenue.....	\$3,148	\$6,694	\$9,478	\$8,223.33

GRIEVANCE AND APPEAL.

"Every one can master a grief but he that has it," but thanks to the wisdom displayed in the adoption of the Constitution of 1888—even if weak in some of its provisions—local jurisdictional difficulties have almost entirely ceased. Occasionally a wandering Bedouin is taken under the shelter of some over-ambitious dome, through inadvertence—the over-zealous enthusiasm of the endorsers of the application of their best loved friend—the confusion incident to an observance being held at the latter end of a three days' feast of another character—or the singular ignorance of applicants as to their proper place of abode.

However, good counsel and the teachings of the Prophet have governed. As the world grows older, and educational advantages become more diffuse, it is expected that grief from these causes will gradually subside.

"The Worldly Hope men set their Hearts upon
Turns Ashes—or it prospers; and anon,
Like snow upon the Desert's dusty Face,
Lighting a little hour or two—was gone."

JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

It would be simply impracticable to frame a code which should meet every attitude "of old father antic the law," and I shall endeavor not to weary your patience with a multitude of suggestions.

I would recommend that Article III., Representatives, Section 1, be amended as follows:

Strike out the conjunction "or" in second paragraph, and in place thereof insert the words "and one for each," so that the paragraph will read thus: "Each Temple shall be further entitled to one additional Representative for every three hundred members, and one for each fraction over three hundred members, in its number of membership; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

I would call your attention to the unjust provisions of Article XIV., Jurisdiction of Temples, Section 1, particularly as the same would have governed the Temples at Davenport and Cedar Rapids, both in the Eastern part of Iowa, had they not agreed upon a division of the State. A line drawn at right angles to a *direct* line between the two cities, crossing the direct line at a centre point, would have left Davenport with a very limited territory; while Cedar Rapids would have had the major portion of the State. An absolute division, however, has been agreed upon by the two Temples named.

Temples *should agree* upon either absolute division of territory or concurrent jurisdiction.

Article XIII., Dispensations for Temples, Section 2. The provision that "nearest Temple" shall recommend petition for Dispensation

before another Temple may be established in same State, is liable to work disastrously to large communities, in supposable cases like the following:

By a singular fatality, an inaccessibly located village procures a charter for a Temple; they exhaust all the local material in a few months, and then remain in luxurious indolence, producing neither revenue nor recreation. In the same State, a Metropolis of seven times the importance and population desires a Temple, and there is no recourse under the Constitution to either grant their request or furnish "balloon facilities" to get to the Mecca of an earlier date.

While in the abstract the constitutional requirement is well enough to prevent the unnecessary multiplication of subordinates, yet in practice it allows an arbitrary power to step in and assert itself against an act of justice and propriety.

The matter of jurisdictional boundaries and consent of Dispensations, should be subject to a general supervision, and not to local decisions entirely. Boundaries could be arbitrated, and local objections to the establishment of new Temples should be based on reasons the sufficiency of which could be similarly determined.

It is somewhat amusing to note in this connection the zealous interest that some Nobles manifest concerning the establishment of Temples in other States, and within the jurisdiction of other Oases; and then observe the kaleidoscopic change of attitude when a similar proposal is made affecting their own bailiwick. Another illustration of the popular idea concerning the correct location of the plagues of the patient man.

The Constitution should prescribe and define "residence," as referring to an applicant for the Order. And further, it would seem proper that applications for the Order from "sojourners" should be referred to the Temple within whose jurisdiction the applicant holds his Templar or Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite membership.

At the time of the adoption of the "Constitution of 1888," certain *Emeriti* members of this Imperial Council were, perhaps inadvertently, dropped into obscurity. I would suggest that this omission be reconsidered, and would recommend that their claims for restoration to a rank which connects the prosperous present with the past be approved.

The list of *Emeriti* appears by the records to be as follows:

WILLIAM J. FLORENCE,	elected 1883.	See Proc. 1883,	p. 30.
CHARLES T. McCLENACHAN,	"	"	"
ALBERT L. RAWSON,	"	"	"
FRANK H. BASCOM,	elected 1884.	See Proc. 1884,	p. 59.
THOMAS J. SHRYOCK,	"	"	"
CHARLES W. TORREY,	"	"	"
GEORGE O. TYLER,	"	"	"

DECISIONS.

1886-7. *Aleppo Temple :*

A protest against conferring the Order upon an applicant previously elected, is lawful, and should be observed, no provision to the contrary existing in the by-laws.

Al Malaikah Temple :

After a candidate has been declared elected, any subsequent objection should be required to be filed in writing, which must stand.

If, however, the candidate should have been elected at an earlier meeting and should not present himself for the Order until a later period, and at that latter occasion an objection should be raised by a Noble who had, in the interim, been elected, and had received the Order--in that case I should overrule the objection.

Algeria Temple :

After an applicant has been declared elected as the result of a ballot had at a session, either regular or at a special call for the purpose, due notice of which has been given, such election must stand. unless a subsequent objector shall give his objections in writing, or state them privately to Potentate, who shall be sole judge of the sufficiency thereof.

Moolah Temple :

An offence committed by a Noble, which has caused his suspension or expulsion in any Order membership in which is a prerequisite to this Order, such expulsion or suspension must similarly affect his standing in this Temple.

Islam Temple :

A dimitted Knight Templar or Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Mason, not under suspension or expulsion, or under charges preferred, is in good standing, and eligible to receive this Order.

August 27, 1888. Almas Temple :

"The petition of an applicant being placed in the hands of your 'Committee of Five' (who pass upon all petitions) at a regular meeting of your Temple, and such Committee endorsing his application, no objection could be entertained adverse to his receiving the Order, other than a *written protest* to be filed with the Recorder *before* candidate is *summoned* for the ceremony."

"An application rejected by your Committee could not be again presented* for thirteen (13) weeks, but your Committee could reconsider their action sooner, should they elect so to do."

* In original, written "considered" through inadvertence.

September 22, 1888. El Kahir Temple:

“Jurisdictional boundaries between any two Temples are now determined by drawing a right line from centre to centre of each town or city where the Temples are located. From the middle point of such line draw another line at right angles thereto, and extending the same in either direction to the boundary of the State. The latter line will constitute the jurisdictional boundary between the two Temples.”

October 30, 1888. Almas Temple:

“A rejection holds good for thirteen (13) weeks. A written protest lasts forever, if writer (protester) does not revoke before his decease. A verbal protest or objection is of no effect, and is neither binding on Temple nor Potentate. A petition may be withdrawn by consent of Temple; otherwise, applicant must be elected, rejected in the usual manner provided by the law of the Temple, or protested as herein set forth.”

Hella Temple:

K. T. holding dimit is in good standing and eligible for the Order, no local regulation forbidding.

A protest should be a written document.

Sesostris Temple:

A majority of the members of your Temple having petitioned for a Dispensation for a Temple at Omaha, Nebraska, the Constitutional requirement of Section 2, Article XIII., concerning “recommendation of nearest Temple,” is contained within the petition.

The petitioners for a Dispensation, members of the Temple whose consent is required, are not barred from voting on the question of consent.

RITUAL.

Again, during the past year, have suggestions been made concerning the improvement of the Ritual, and, as recommended in the last Annual Address, I would request that these informal talks be reduced to writing, and presented to the Council or the proper Committee at this time.

PUBLICATIONS.

Under this caption there have been issued some important additions to our literature:

1. The “Constitution of 1888,” printed under the direction of the Committee on Jurisprudence, has been issued to the subordinate Temples.

2. The "selected verses" from the Koran for the elaboration of the second section of Ritual have been distributed under the approval of the Committee on Ritual.

3. The "travelling certificate or diploma" has been designed and published by the Committee in accordance with your directions, and a copy was sent as a compliment to each member of this Imperial Council, and I would recommend that a copy also be furnished in like manner to each past member of this Imperial Council.

4. After much tribulation and delay your Committee have succeeded in gathering together the music of the various Oases, compiling the same as directed, and distributing the publication to the Temples. The Preface to the work contains the only comment which the Committee have deemed proper to make.

5. The other publications ordered by this Imperial Council, "Early Proceedings" and "List of Members," I presume, are well in hand, and will shortly be issued by the Imperial Recorder.

SUBORDINATE TEMPLES.

As a prudential remark in a business way, I desire to call the attention of the Temples generally to the wisdom of insuring their effects against the possible contingency of fire.

Two of the Temples in this jurisdiction have suffered from this cause within the last year. *Al Malaikah*, at Los Angeles, California, a total loss, not insured, as far as I am informed. *Lu Lu*, at Philadelphia, Pa., loss of \$2,100, fully covered.

"Little fire grows great with little wind;
Extreme gusts will blow out fire and all;"

but prudence will dictate that a few hundred dollars assured in a reputable company would prove under adverse occurrences,

"The sovereign'st thing on earth."

As features for continuing and supporting the interest among subordinate bodies, I again urge the cultivation of the social feature, not only at the regular observances, but encourage social assemblies, interest the ladies in affairs which always interest them when attractively and liberally conducted, social parties, *musicales*, public installations of officers, and the many ways which may be devised for improving and facilitating our intercourse with one another, in a rational *Dum vivimus, vivamus* manner.

I still maintain and believe that time will demonstrate the fact, that a slower growth in numbers and a more lively interest in the well-being and happiness of those who are *now* members will conduce more to the perpetuity of the Order, than the addition of an army of neophytes to our already crowded assemblies.

A Temple of 400 members with an annual income of \$2,000 dues per annum has the power not only to perpetuate its existence, but also to furnish satisfactory entertainment for its membership, as well as to infuse the spirit of emulation into the entire community in which it exists, until this

“Lion of the Nile,
The mystery of the winged human brute, couchant,
Whelped on the desert sands, and desert bred,”

shall become

“The CHAMPION Spirit of the World.”

As has truthfully been remarked, “We have had somewhat too much of ‘the Gospel of Work;’ it is time to preach ‘the Gospel of Relaxation.’”

CONCLUSION.

What in the beginning promised to be a brief, has lengthened out beyond my honest intent, and I trust you may “forgive and quite forget” the fault.

The labors of this Imperial Council are about to terminate, and the opportunity for making amends is being rapidly lessened.

I thank you for your respectful attention, and only ask that your endeavors be now, as they heretofore have been, entirely for the advancement of this Order, which,

“Like a seedling that did spring,
Whose germ the winds had set, of stem so fine,
And leaf so small, to inexperienced sight
It passed for naught, until, with swelling trunk,
And spreading branches bowing all around,
It *stands* a goodly Tree.”

Yours in the Faith,

SAM. BRIGGS,

IMPERIAL POTENTATE.



ADDRESS REFERRED TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE.



ON motion of Noble JOHN A. MAY, it was—

Resolved, That the Annual Address of the Imperial Potentate be received, and be referred to a Special Committee for subdivision and for reference to the appropriate Committees.

COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed as the Special Committee on Address :

Noble JOHN A. MAY,
 “ WILLIAM C. NICKUM,
 “ EDWARD C. CULP.

ADDRESS TO BE PRINTED.

On motion of Noble HENRY E. HOSLEY, it was—

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the Annual Address be printed, and distributed to the Members and Nobles.

In accordance with the Resolution, the Annual Address was printed and distributed to all present.

STANDING COMMITTEES.



THE IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed the following Standing Committees:

I.—*Transactions of the Imperial Officers.*

Noble FRANK S. HASTINGS,
 “ LOUIS P. ECKER,
 “ GEORGE H. WALKER.

II.—*Dispensations and Charters.*

Noble RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.,
 “ JAMES H. THOMPSON,
 “ WILLIAM RYAN.

III.—*Finance and Accounts.*

Noble EDWARD B. JORDAN,
 “ HORACE W. HUBBARD,
 “ WILLIAM A. STILES.

IV.—*Grievances and Appeals.*

Noble JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
“ GEORGE P. BALMAIN,
“ EDWARD C. CULP.

V.—*Jurisprudence and Laws.*

Noble WILLIAM B. MELISH,
“ JOHN A. MAY,
“ WILLIAM H. MAYO.

VI.—*Mileage and Pay of Representatives.*

Noble JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
“ GEORGE F. LODER,
“ WILLIAM N. BALDWIN.

VII.—*Foreign Correspondence.*

Noble WILLIAM S. PATERSON,
“ WAYLAND TRASK,
“ BRUCE GOODFELLOW.

VIII.—*Ritual.*

Noble CYRUS W. EATON,
CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
“ GEORGE W. MILLAR.

IX.—*Deceased Members.*

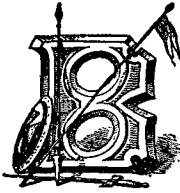
Noble WILLIAM C. NICKUM,
“ THOMAS J. HUDSON,
“ JOSEPH K. ASHBY.

X.—*Place of Meeting.*

Noble CHARLES H. HEATON,
“ JOSEPH K. ASHBY,
“ CHARLES L. FIELD,
“ CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
“ FRANK LOCKE.



REPORT OF IMPERIAL TREASURER.



Y the IMPERIAL TREASURER, through Noble JAMES MCGEE, the following Annual Report was submitted:

NEW YORK, June 17, 1889.

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council, N. M. S.:

Your Imperial Treasurer herewith submits his annual statement of the moneys received and disbursed by him, including those of the late Imperial Treasurer, Noble JOSEPH M. LEVEY, together with the vouchers, from June 22, 1888, to June 17, 1889:

Receipts.

June 22, 1888.	To balance on hand	\$11,260 51
Aug. -8, "	" Cash from Imperial Recorder..	\$311 00
Sept. 28, "	" " " " ..	88 00
Oct. 2, "	" " " " ..	84 00
" 15, "	" " " " ..	546 00
" 31, "	" " " " ..	200 00
Nov. 20, "	" " " " ..	119 00
Dec. 1, "	" Interest to date.....	51 18
" 3, "	" Cash from Imperial Recorder..	266 00
" 5, "	" " " " ..	130 00
" 28, "	" " " " ..	349 00
" 31, "	" " " " ..	30 00
Jan. 24, 1889.	" " " " ..	1,048 00
" 31, "	" " " " ..	251 00
Feb. 28, "	" " " " ..	1,189 00
March 30, "	" " " " ..	970 00
April 29, "	" " " " ..	1,050 00
May 13, "	" " " " ..	282 00
" 22, "	" " " " ..	345 00
" 31, "	" " " " ..	138 00
June 1, "	" Interest to date.....	123 15
" 8, "	" Cash from Imperial Recorder..	403 00
" 12, "	" " " " ..	240 00
		8,223 33
Total.....		\$19,438 84

Disbursements.

June	30.	By	152,	N Sam. Briggs, Contingencies.....	\$132	82
"	"	"	153,	" " " " " " " "	500	00
"	"	"	154,	" " Appropriation for Mileage ...	300	00
"	"	"	155,	J. M. Levey, Mileage for Representatives....	2,234	46
Aug.	16.	"	156,	W. Adams, Jr., Mileage	24	00
"	23.	"	157,	Krehbiel & Co., Printing 2,000 Constitutions,	83	20
"	27.	"	158,	W. Mullin, Engrossing Diplomas	12	85
Sept.	15.	"	159,	C. L. Levey, Discount on Canada bills.	2	50
"	17.	"	160,	G. W. Millar, Relief to Jacksonville Suf- ferers.....	501	40
Oct.	12.	"	161,	W. S. Paterson, Seal and Press.....	15	00
"	"	"	162,	A. H. Kellogg, Printing from July to October.....	256	80
"	"	"	163,	A. H. Kellogg, Printing 750 Proceedings 1888.....	447	50
"	"	"	164,	A. H. Kellogg, Portraits of S. Briggs and C. F. Holliday.....	143	00
"	"	"	165,	W. S. Paterson, Postage, etc.....	97	30
"	"	"	166,	A. L. Rawson, Translations and Designing Diploma.....	75	00
"	"	"	167,	W. S. Paterson, Salary 4 months.....	200	00
Nov.	8.	"	168,	S. Briggs, Travelling Expenses.....	323	25
Dec.	29.	"	169,	A. H. Kellogg, Engraving and Printing 6,000 Diplomas.....	365	00
Jan.	21.	"	170,	A. L. See, Music for Imperial Council.....	25	00
Feb.	21.	"	171,	A. H. Kellogg, Music Book, on account ...	500	00
"	27.	"	172,	Sam. Briggs, Contingencies.....	475	74
May	15.	"	173,	" " " " " " " "	515	00
"	17.	"	174,	W. S. Paterson, Engrossing Diplomas, etc.,	127	85
"	"	"	175,	" " " " " " " "	267	58
"	"	"	176,	" " " " " " " "	400	00
"	"	"	177,	A. H. Kellogg, Printing from October to May.....	443	60
"	22.	"	178,	A. L. See, Reading Music Book	75	00
"	24.	"	179,	G. W. Millar, Expenses for J. Worthington,	47	07
					Total.....	\$8,590 92

Recapitulation.

June 17, 1889.	Total amount of Receipts	\$19,483 84
" " "	Disbursements.....	8,590 92

Balance on hand	\$10,892 92
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All of which is respectfully submitted, together with a certified check for the balance.

GEORGE W. MILLAR,
Imperial Treasurer.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL TREASURER'S REPORT.

On motion of Noble EDWARD B. JORDAN, it was—

Resolved, That the Report of the Imperial Treasurer be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.



REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL RECORDER.



ANNUAL Report of the IMPERIAL RECORDER was presented as follows :

NEW YORK, June 17, 1889.

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers, and Members of the Imperial Council :

Your Imperial Recorder respectfully submits the following Annual Report for the year ending this date :

Imperial Council.

At the close of last Annual Session, and to the present time, there are:	
No. of Active Members of the Imperial Council.....	49
“ “ “ Died.....	1
“ Past Active Members	52
“ “ “ Died	3
“ Emeriti Members.....	6
“ Representatives of Temples in the East.....	3
“ Temples which have been Chartered to date.....	44
“ Temples under Dispensation to date.....	6

Reports of Temples.

The Reports which have been received from the various Temples are given in the Table on the next page.

The Officers of the various Temples are given at the end of these Proceedings.

A Recapitulation of the Annual Reports from all the Temples shows the following totals :

No. Nobles on December 31, 1887.....	7,565
“ “ Entered the Unseen Temple.....	66
“ “ Dimitted.....	191
“ “ Suspended.....	68
“ “ Expelled.....	4
Decrease in Members.....	329
Leaving a total of.....	7,236
No. Nobles Created to December 31, 1887, in Temples.....	2,881
“ “ Affiliated and Restored to date.....	79
“ “ In Temples under Dispensation, Charter Members, 181	
Increase in Nobles.....	3,141
Total Number of Nobles to date.....	10,377

Report of Temples, to January 1, 1889.

TEMPLES.	LOCATION.	Members Dec. 31, 1887.	Died.	Dimitted:	Suspended. Expelled.	Created.	Affiliated and Restored.	Charter Members.	Members Dec. 31, 1888.	Members June 17, 1889.
1 Abdallah	Leavenworth	45	...	1	1	35	2	...	80	...
2 Acca	Richmond	81	3	2	...	20	1	...	97	...
3 Affi, U. D.	Tacoma	...	...	...	...	46	1	8	...	55
4 Aleppo	Boston	505	1	1	...	137	4	...	704	...
5 Algeria	Helena	...	...	...	...	59	3	7	69	...
6 Al Kader, U. D. .	Portland, Ore.	...	1	...	...	30	...	17	...	46
7 Al Koran	Cleveland	297	1	11	...	64	...	...	349	...
8 Al Malaikah	Los Angeles	...	...	...	...	23	1	31	55	...
9 Almas	Washington	103	1	3	...	32	...	...	131	...
10 Ararat	Kansas City	...	...	...	...	102	...	7	100	...
11 Ballut Abyad, U. D.	Albuquerque	...	...	...	...	20	...	8	...	28
12 Boumi	Baltimore	186	3	3	1	23	...	...	202	...
13 Cyprus	Albany	101	1	...	...	1	...	...	101	...
14 Damascus	Rochester	245	1	23	1	53	7	...	280	...
15 El Jebel	Denver	...	1	...	...	211	27	16	253	...
16 El Kahir	Cedar Rapids	116	...	13	...	112	4	...	219	...
17 El Riad	Sioux Falls	...	...	...	...	46	...	13	59	...
18 Hella	Dallas	46	...	...	...	39	1	...	86	...
19 Isis	Salina	97	...	4	...	65	...	...	158	...
20 Islam	San Francisco	160	3	24	...	82	...	...	215	...
21 Ismailia	Buffalo	71	...	...	...	55	...	...	129	...
22 Jerusalem	New Orleans	40	...	...	...	2	...	...	42	...
23 Kaaba	Davenport	54	...	6	...	4	...	...	52	...
24 Kismet	Brooklyn	119	...	3	1	45	11	...	171	...
25 Kosair	Louisville	99	1	...	...	34	...	...	132	...
26 Lu Lu	Philadelphia	797	8	5	...	128	...	...	912	...
27 Mecca	New York	1,170	20	27	56	165	7	...	1,239	...
28 Medinah	Chicago	644	2	17	7, 2	194	2	...	812	...
29 Moila, U. D.	St. Joseph	...	2	2	...	51	1	8	...	56
30 Moolah	St. Louis	136	...	2	...	44	1	...	179	...
31 Morocco	Jacksonville	...	...	...	...	9	...	7	16	...
32 Moslem	Detroit	273	1	28	...	62	...	...	306	...
33 Mount Sinai	Montpelier	105	...	...	2	43	...	...	146	...
34 Murat	Indianapolis	184	3	2	...	52	1	...	232	...
35 Oriental	Troy	126	3	1	...	51	...	...	173	...
36 Osiris	Wheeling	32	...	...	...	27	...	...	59	...
37 Osman	St. Paul	126	...	...	...	37	2	...	165	...
38 Palestine	Newport	93	1	6	...	3	...	...	89	...
39 Pyramid	Bridgeport	281	2	1	...	62	...	...	340	...
40 Rameses	Toronto	33	...	...	...	22	...	...	55	...
41 Sahara, U. D.	Pine Bluff	...	...	...	...	16	...	?	...	23
42 Salaam	Olney	34	...	...	...	4	...	...	38	...
43 Saladin	Grand Rapids	129	...	...	...	30	...	...	159	...
44 Sesostris	Lincoln	46	...	...	...	34	...	...	80	...
45 Syria	Pittsburgh	292	3	...	1	170	3	...	461	...
46 Syrian	Cincinnati	266	...	2	...	83	...	...	347	...
47 Tangier, U. D.	Omaha	...	...	...	...	85	...	52	...	137
48 Tripoli	Milwaukee	158	1	...	...	27	...	...	184	...
49 Ziyara	Utica	166	2	4	...	18	...	...	178	...
50 Zuhrah	Minneapolis	109	1	...	...	61	...	...	169	...
Totals	...	7,565	66	191	72	2,881	79	181	10,032	45

Receipts.

There have been received for Fees and Dues, for the year ending June 17, 1889, from the following Temples :

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sation.	Total.
June 25, 1888.....	Abdallah.....	.....	\$22 00	.....	.....	.....
Sept. 4, ".....	".....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Dec. 10, ".....	".....	.....	46 00	.....	.....	.....
Feb. 4, 1889.....	".....	\$10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
April 22, ".....	".....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....
May 20, ".....	".....	.....	76 00	.....	.....	\$160 00
Jan. 28, ".....	Acca.....	10 00	8 00	.....	.....	18 00
Oct. 11, 1888.....	Affi.....	.....	135 00	\$15 00	\$150 00	.....
Feb. 11, 1889.....	".....	10 00	64 00	.....	.....	.....
May 11, ".....	".....	.....	28 00	.....	.....	402 00
Sept. 20, 1888.....	Aleppo.....	.....	84 00	.....	.....	.....
Nov. 28, ".....	".....	.....	56 00	.....	.....	.....
Jan. 9, 1889.....	".....	80 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Feb. 5, ".....	".....	.....	78 00	.....	.....	.....
April 3, ".....	".....	.....	110 00	.....	.....	.....
May 28, ".....	".....	.....	90 00	.....	.....	498 00
June 30, 1888.....	Algeria.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Aug. 28, ".....	".....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....
Sept. 11, ".....	".....	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....
Oct. 18, ".....	".....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....
Nov. 28, ".....	".....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....
Dec. 24, ".....	".....	.....	24 00	.....	.....	.....
Feb. 13, 1889.....	".....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....
" 23, ".....	".....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mar. 15, ".....	".....	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....
April 15, ".....	".....	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....
May 9, ".....	".....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	109 00
July 5, 1888.....	Al Kader.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
April 20, 1889.....	".....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....
June 10, ".....	".....	20 00	20 00	.....	.....	90 00
Mar. 9, ".....	Al Koran.....	40 00	128 00	.....	.....	168 00
July 5, 1888.....	Al Malaikah.....	10 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....
Feb. 5, 1889.....	".....	.....	28 00	.....	.....	43 00
Jan. 23, ".....	Almas.....	20 00	64 00	.....	.....	.....
Feb. 8, ".....	".....	.....	42 00	.....	.....	.....
May 22, ".....	".....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	132 00
June 22, 1888.....	Ararat.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Feb. 7, 1889.....	".....	20 00	80 00	.....	.....	110 00
Jan. 19, ".....	Ballut Abyad.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
April 18, ".....	".....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....
May 21, ".....	".....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....
June 12, ".....	".....	10 00	6 00	.....	.....	33 00
Jan. 2, ".....	Boumi.....	30 00	32 00	.....	.....	.....
June 7, ".....	".....	.....	44 00	.....	.....	106 00
Jan. 14, ".....	Cyprus.....	20 00	2 00	.....	.....	22 00
July 5, 1888.....	Damascus.....	.....	38 00	.....	.....	.....
Carried forward.....	.....	330 00	1,429 00	20 00	150 00	1,891 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sation.	Total.
Brought forward		\$330 00	\$1,429 00	\$20 00	\$150 00	\$1,891 00
Oct. 27, 1888	Damascus	10 00	2 00			
Nov. 17, "	"		24 00			
Jan. 31, 1889	"		42 00			
Feb. 23, "	"	30 00				146 00
Oct. 30, 1888	El Jebel		94 00			
Feb. 11, 1889	"		64 00			
April 23, "	"		95 00			253 00
Sept. 25, 1888	El Kahir		22 00			
Nov. 1, "	"		90 00			
Jan. 18, 1889	"	30 00				
Feb. 27, "	"		94 00			296 00
May 10, "	El Riad	10 00	46 00			56 00
June 25, 1888	Hella	10 00	82 00			
Feb. 16, 1889	"	10 00				
Mar. 26, "	"		18 00			
May 20, "	"		68 00			188 00
Nov. 19, 1888	Isis			5 00		
April 23, 1889	"	20 00	131 00			156 00
Jan. 12, "	Islam	30 00	164 00			194 00
Dec. 19, 1888	Ismailia		66 00			
Mar. 8, 1889	"	20 00	90 00			
May 14, "	"		32 00			208 00
April 1, "	Jerusalem	10 00				10 00
Jan. 3, "	Kaaba	10 00				
Mar. 9, "	"		7 00			
June 7, "	"		6 00			23 00
Jan. 17, "	Kismet	20 00	36 00			
June 6, "	"		85 00			141 00
Dec. 27, 1888	Kosair	20 00	2 00			
May 28, 1889	"		18 00			40 00
Feb. 8, "	Lu Lu	100 00	256 00			356 00
Dec. 29, 1888	Mecca		156 00			
Mar. 15, 1889	"	130 00	90 00			
June 5, "	"		82 00			458 00
July 14, 1888	Medinah		50 00			
Oct. 13, "	"		182 00			
Nov. 30, "	"	90 00	48 00			
Mar. 9, 1889	"		92 00			
April 20, "	"		3 00			465 00
June 23, 1888	Moila	10 00				
Jan. 23, 1889	"		18 00			
June 6, "	"	10 00	32 00			70 00
Jan. 23, "	Moolah	20 00	88 00			108 00
" 24, "	Morocco		2 00			2 00
July 25, 1888	Moslem		12 00			
Oct. 12, "	"		18 00			
Carried forward		920 00	3,936 00	25 00	150 00	5,001 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sation.	Total.
Brought forward		\$920 00	\$3,936 00	\$25 00	\$150 00	\$5,001 00
Dec. 13, 1888	Moslem		26 00			
Jan. 23, 1889	"	40 00				
Feb. 28, "	"		31 00			
June 5, "			66 00			193 00
July 18, 1888	Mount Sinai		32 00			
Nov. 28, "	"	20 00	44 00			
April 18, 1889	"		20 00			
May 2, "	"			10 00		126 00
Jan. 14, "	Murat	30 00	52 00			
May 8, "	"		77 00			159 00
Oct. 26, 1888	Oriental		84 00			
Jan. 9, 1889	"	20 00	18 00			
Feb. 20, "	"		18 00			
May 23, "	"		30 00			170 00
Mar. 4, "	Osiris	10 00	70 00			
April 13, "	"		4 00			84 00
Dec. 5, 1888	Osman		18 00			
Jan. 14, 1889	"	20 00				
Feb. 19, "	"		30 00			
May 11, "	"		41 00			109 00
Jan. 28, "	Palestine	10 00	6 00			16 00
" 31, "	Pyramid	40 00				
Mar. 28, "	"		43 00			83 00
Jan. 14, "	Rameses	10 00				
May 11, "	"		40 00			50 00
April 16, "	Sahara		189 00	10 00	150 00	
May 16, "	"		24 00			
June 6, "	"		8 00			381 00
April 15, "	Salaam	10 00				10 00
Jan. 28, "	Saladin	20 00	114 00			
June 7, "	"		75 00			209 00
Aug. 6, 1888	Sesostris		42 00			
Mar. 2, 1889	"	10 00	50 00			102 00
Dec. 21, 1888	Syria		152 00			
Jan. 12, 1889	"	50 00				
Mar. 28, "	"		76 00			
April 15, "	"		77 00			355 00
Feb. 6, "	Syrian	40 00	166 00			206 00
April 15, "	Tangier				150 00	
May 7, "	"			10 00		
June 12, "	"	20 00	170 00			350 00
Jan. 19, "	Tripoli	20 00	54 00			74 00
" 9, "	Ziyara	20 00	18 00			
Mar. 4, "	"		76 00			
May 20, "	"		133 00			247 00
Oct. 11, 1888	Zuhrah		46 00			
Dec. 20, "	"		30 00			
May 9, 1889	"	20 00	8 00	10 00		114 00
Totals		\$1,330 00	\$6,194 00	\$65 00	\$450 00	\$8,039 00

Recapitulation of above Receipts.

Receipts for Dispensation Fees	\$450 00
“ Annual Dues	1,330 00
“ Initiation Fees	6,194 00
“ Rituals	65 00
Total paid Imperial Treasurer.....	\$8,089 00

With many thanks to the Officers of the Subordinate Temples, and the Members of the Imperial Council, for their kindness,

I am courteously yours,

WILLIAM S. PATERSON.

Imperial Recorder.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL RECORDER'S REPORT.

On motion of Noble CYRUS W. EATON, it was—

Resolved, That the Annual Report of the Imperial Recorder be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

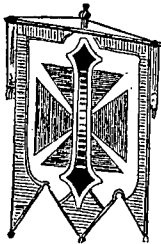
INVITATION FOR NEXT ANNUAL SESSION.

The following invitation from Islam Temple was, on motion, received, and referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting :

ISLAM TEMPLE,

OASIS OF SAN FRANCISCO, June 5, 1889.

*To the Officers and Members of the Imperial Council,
A. A. O. N. M. S.:*



ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLES: The Officers and Members of Islam Temple send greeting :

May your deliberations be characterized by allegiance to Allah, and justice to the true disciple!

We extend to you a most hearty, sincere, and cordial invitation to designate, and pitch your tent in, San Francisco, as the locality where the deliberations of your Grand Body may be holden in 1890. We promise you rest and refreshment, and will endeavor, to the utmost of our ability, to add, in its most comprehensive signification, satisfaction.

Come, and give us an opportunity to exhibit to you the sincerity, Arabic welcome, and generosity of the hearts of the Tribe of Islam.

May Allah watch over and guide you to fields Elysian!

For myself, and in behalf of the members of Islam Temple,

Faithfully and Arabically,

[SEAL.]

FRANKLIN H. DAY,

ATTEST:

Potentate.

V. D. DUBOCE,

Recorder.

SUFFERERS BY THE SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, FIRE.



COMMUNICATION from Afifi Temple, of Tacoma, Washington, in relation to the severe suffering entailed by fire at Seattle, where many of its Nobles reside, was presented by the IMPERIAL POTENTATE, as follows:

AFIFI TEMPLE,

TACOMA, Wash., June 7, 1889.

M. ILL. SAM BRIGGS, *Imperial Potentate, A. A. O. N. M. S., Cleveland, Ohio:*

ILLUSTRIOUS AND DEAR SIR: Yesterday, in the midst of our preparations for our Ceremonies and Banquet to-night, the news came that "Seattle is burning up." Later tidings only increased the gravity of the situation. To-day a live, prosperous city of 25,000 people is in ruins. Not a business building in the city was left intact. An area one and a half miles long and four blocks wide was swept over by the flames. The mills, depots, wharves, all the banks—every thing was consumed. Our Nobles were among the first to extend practical aid. One sent a boat load of provisions and supplies. Others have given large sums of money, and are aiding the relief committees in the various ways that liberal hearts and large means suggest.

Under the circumstances, we deemed it advisable to abandon our observances for this evening. Many of our Nobles live in Seattle. I was there on Tuesday, and they and their ladies were enthusiastic over this reception. Among the many minor misfortunes incident to this great calamity, Afifi Temple has had its disappointment. We had eight Novices from Seattle, and in all a Class of twenty or twenty-five.

But Afifi Temple is now a fixture in the Masonic and social life of this new State. This disaster shows that our Nobility is not a misnomer—that our men have the character that accords with the title of "Noble."

I return you the Dispensation. My work will not allow me to leave at this time. My esteemed friend, the Hon. Walter J. Thompson, is our Representative. You will find him one of the grand men, and I commend him to your kind consideration.

I think our Recorder has sent in all the reports required. Our Recorder is in poor health, and has been compelled to go to Southern California for rest.

We shall not attempt any work until September. Probably we shall have a celebration about our First Anniversary. If you can come to this coast about that time, we shall give you a fine reception.

Our Director, to whom we are largely indebted for the efficiency of our work, is to-day being initiated into the sublime order of Papahood—the first ceremony at his house: so, while Affi is a little unfortunate to day, she is still on the highway of prosperity.

I trust your meeting of the Council will be of unusual interest and value.

In behalf of the many newly created Nobles of the North Pacific coast, I thank you for the kindly interest shown in our efforts. If I mistake not, the Council will never have occasion to regret the action of the Imperial Potentate in issuing to us the authority for Affi Temple

We love the Order, and shall advance the interests of the same in all possible ways.

Yours in the Faith,

F. B. GAULT.

APPROPRIATION FOR SEATTLE SUFFERERS.

On motion of Noble HENRY E. HOSLEY, it was—

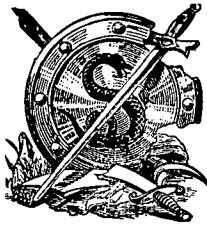
Resolved, That five hundred dollars be appropriated for the relief of the sufferers by the recent fire at Seattle, and that such amount be placed under the direction of the Officers of Affi Temple.

THANKS BY SEATTLE.

SINCE the above action, the following communication was received from the representative of the Seattle sufferers:

OLYMPIA, July 10, 1889.

MR. JAMES MCGEE, *Acting Treasurer Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. Shrine, New York City*:



ILLUSTRIOUS SIR AND FRATER: Some time since I received through Illustrious Potentate F. B. Gault, of Affi Temple, at Tacoma, draft for five hundred dollars, donation of the Imperial Council for Seattle sufferers. And while due acknowledgment was made at the time to him for the handsome donation, I take it that it is not out of place at this time to return to the Imperial Council, through you, our grateful appreciation for this act of charity and deed of pure benevolence—one which we can never forget, as it came to us at a time when our hearts were sorely tried, and were indeed bowed down. But God has been good to us in our affliction, and sent us friends indeed.

This is but another instance of the good of grand Masonic institutions. And may it never grow less!

Again, in behalf of the Brothers of the Mystic Tie and Nobles of the Shrine, permit me to thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Yours Fraternally,

T. P. DYER.

TELEGRAM FROM NOBLE JOHN WORTHINGTON.



FROM Noble JOHN WORTHINGTON, of Valetta, Malta, the Imperial Potentate presented the following telegram, which was cordially received :

MALTA, 6:10 A. M., June 17, 1889.

SAM. BRIGGS,

Consistory Hall, 78 Monroe Street, Chicago :

The Mediterranean greets the Queen City of the Lakes. The Orient salutes the Nobility of the Occident, and congratulates Imperial Council on the wondrous growth of the Order in America.

Bismillah !

WORTHINGTON.

TELEGRAMS.

The following telegrams from Nobles THOMAS J. HUDSON and JULIUS W. KNOWLTON were received :

SAM. BRIGGS,

PITTSBURGH, PA., June 16, 1889.

Grand Pacific Hotel :

Have been on duty at Johnstown since the fourth inst. Go back to-morrow. Regret I cannot be at meeting. About twelve hundred dollars contributed thus far by Imperial Council and Shrines. 'Tis well applied.

T. J. HUDSON.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., June 16, 1889.

W. S. PATERSON, *Imperial Recorder*,

Nobles Mystic Shrine, Chicago :

It will be impossible for me to be present. Present my regrets.

J. W. KNOWLTON,

Representative.

CHANGE IN RITUAL.



NOBLE GEORGE R. METCALF presented the following change in Ritual :

Resolved, That on page 19 of Ritual, at end of the third line, there be added the following words :

“Of the obedience of the Supreme Councils of the Northern and Southern Masonic Jurisdictions of the United States, or of some Supreme Council in communion and amity with these, and recognized as legal and lawful by them; nor will I. at any subsequent time, unite myself to any so-called Scottish Rite Body, which may be pronounced illegal and clandestine by the Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine.”

The Resolution was, on motion, received, and referred to the Committee on Ritual.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed as Committee on Credentials,

Noble JAMES MCGEE,
" WILLIAM H. MAYO,
" CHARLES H. FLACH.

DOCUMENTS REFERRED.



THE Credentials of Representatives, received from the various Temples by the Imperial Recorder, were referred to the Committee on Credentials.

The Communication on the Rank of Emeritus Member, signed by several Emeriti, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

The Communication in reference to the establishment of a Temple at Moberly, Mo., was referred to the Committee on Dispensations and Charters.

The Communication from Salaam Temple relative to grievances was referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

The By-laws of several Temples were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

RECESS.

A short recess was, on motion, here taken, after which the Session was resumed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.



IN Dispensations and Charters, the Committee presented the following Report :

We, your Committee on Charters and Dispensations, respectfully submit the following Report :

We recommend that Charters be granted by this Imperial Body to the following Temples which are now under Dispensation :

AFIFI TEMPLE.....Tacoma, Washington.
AL KADER TEMPLE.....Portland, Oregon.
BALLUT ABYAD TEMPLE.....Albuquerque, New Mexico.
MOILA TEMPLE.....Saint Joseph, Missouri.

We further recommend that the following Temples be continued under Dispensation for one year :

SAHARA TEMPLE...Pine Bluff, Arkansas.
TANGIER TEMPLE.....Omaha, Nebraska.

We further recommend that the matter of granting a Dispensation for a Temple at Moberly, Mo., be referred to the Imperial Potentate for his consideration and action.

RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.,
JAMES H. THOMPSON,
WILLIAM RYAN,

Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the Recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.



OMMITTEE on Credentials presented the following Report :

We, the undersigned Committee on Credentials, respectfully report that they have examined the Credentials of Representatives to the Imperial Council, and find the following entitled to seats in this Imperial Body :

Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kansas.

1. Noble FRANK S. HASTINGS.....Director.

Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.

2. Noble LOUIS P. ECKER.....Potentate.

Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.

3. Noble HENRY E. HOSLEY.....Potentate.
4. " JAMES A. FOXChief Rabban.
5. " BENJAMIN W. ROWELL.....Recorder.
6. " FRANK LOCKE.....Director.

Algeria Temple, Helena, Montana.

7. Noble WILLIAM N. BALDWIN.....Potentate.

Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

8. Noble SAM. BRIGGS.....Potentate.
9. " RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.....Member.
10. " HORACE W. HUBBARD.....Recorder.

Al Malaikah Temple, Los Angeles, Cal.

11. *Noble MARVIN R. HIGGINS.....Potentate.

Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.

12. Noble GEORGE H. WALKERPotentate.

Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.

13. Noble ETHELBERT F. ALLEN.....Potentate.

- Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.*
14. Noble WILLIAM C. NICKUM.....Potentate.
- Cyprus Temple, Albany, N. Y.*
15. Noble THOMAS J. BISHOP.....Potentate.
- Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y.*
16. Noble GEORGE F. LODER.....Potentate.
- El Jebel Temple, Denver, Colo.*
17. Noble ALBERT B. MCGAFFEY.....Potentate.
- El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.*
18. Noble CYRUS W. EATON.....Potentate.
- El Riad Temple, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.*
19. Noble WILLIAM D. STITES.....Potentate.
- Hella Temple, Dallas, Texas.*
20. Noble JOSEPH K. ASHBY.....Past Potentate.
- Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.*
21. Noble EDWARD C. CULP.....Potentate.
- Islam Temple, San Francisco, Cal.*
22. Noble CHARLES L. FIELD..... Chief Rabban.
- Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.*
23. Noble CHARLES W. CUSHMAN.....Potentate.
- Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La.*
24. *Noble ALBERT G. BRICE (Credentials received later) Past Potentate.
- Kaaba Temple, Davenport, Iowa.*
25. Noble LEWIS P. DOSH.....Potentate.
- Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.*
26. Noble WAYLAND TRASK.....Potentate.
- Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.*
27. *Noble JOHN A. STRATTON.....Chief Rabban.
- Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.*
28. Noble JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....Potentate.
29. " EDWARD B. JORDAN.....Director.
30. " FREDERICK LEIBRANDT.....Member.
31. " EZRA S. BARTLETT..... Chief Rabban.
- Mecca Temple, New York, N. Y.*
32. Noble JOSEPH B. EAKINS.....Director.
33. " *GEORGE W. MILLAR.....Treasurer.
34. " JAMES MCGEE.....Oriental Guide.
35. " WILLIAM S. PATERSON.....Recorder.

Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.

36. Noble JOHN A. MAY.....Potentate.
 37. " WILLIAM A. STILES.....Chief Rabban.
 38. " FRANK M. LUCE.....Recorder.
 39. " JAMES H. THOMPSON.....Past Potentate.

Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.

40. Noble WILLIAM H. MAYO.....Recorder.

Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Florida.

41. Noble CHARLES H. MALLETT (See end of Report).....Potentate.

Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.

42. Noble MARVIN H. CHAMBERLAIN.....Potentate.
 43. " BRUCE GOODFELLOW.....Chief Rabban.
 44. " WILLIAM M. BAILEY.....Recorder.

Mount Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vt.

45. Noble CHARLES H. HEATON.....Past Potentate.

Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Ind.

46. Noble JOHN T. BRUSH.....Potentate.

Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y.

47. Noble HENRY STOWELL.....Potentate.

Osiris Temple, Wheeling, W. Va.

48. Noble MATHEW ROBERTS WOLFF.....Recorder.

Osman Temple, Saint Paul, Minn.

49. Noble GEORGE R. METCALF.....Potentate.

Palestine Temple, Newport, R. I.

50. *Noble JOHN WATERS.....Potentate.

Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.

51. *Noble JULIUS W. KNOWLTON.....Potentate.
 52. " THADDEUS B. BEECHER.....Director.
 53. " HENRY SETZER, JR.....Member.

Rameses Temple, Toronto, Can.

54. Noble HENRY A. COLLINS.....Potentate.

Salaam Temple, Olney, Ill.

55. Noble GIDEON D. SLANKER.....Potentate.

Saladin Temple Grand Rapids, Mich.

56. Noble SAMUEL E. WATSON.....Recorder.

Sesostris Temple, Lincoln, Neb.

57. Noble JAMES TYLER.....Past Potentate.

Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa.

58. *Noble THOMAS J. HUDSON.....Potentate.
 59. " GEORGE P. BALMAIN.....Member.
 60. " BENJAMIN DARLINGTON.....Director.

Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio.

- 61. Noble WILLIAM B. MELISH.....Potentate.
- 62. " CHARLES H. FLACH.....Chief Rabban.
- 63. " WILLIAM MICHIE.....Director.

Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.

- 64. Noble LUTHER L. CAUFY..... Chief Rabban.

Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y.

- 65. Noble JOHN W. BOYLE.....Potentate.

Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.

- 66. Noble JOSEPH L. DOBBIN..... Assistant Rabban.

Your Committee also recommend that Noble Charles H. Mallett be entitled to represent Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Florida, the proper report not having been received by the Imperial Recorder, owing to the death of the Recorder of Morocco Temple. From the testimony offered to the Committee, your Committee are satisfied that Noble Mallett is the proper Representative.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MCGEE,
WILLIAM H. MAYO,
CHARLES H. FLACH,
Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, the Committee were discharged with the thanks of the Imperial Council, and the Recommendation was adopted.

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT.

Of the above list of Representatives, duly accredited, those marked with an asterisk were absent, numbering seven (7).

The rest of the Representatives were present, numbering fifty-nine (59).

REPRESENTATIVES OF NEWLY CHARTERED TEMPLES.



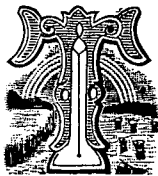
OBLE JAMES H. THOMPSON moved that the Representatives of Temples which have been granted Charters at this Session be entitled to seats and mileage.

Noble WILLIAM B. MELISH moved as amendment that they be entitled to per diem and mileage, but not to voice and vote.

The amendment was, on motion, carried, and the motion as amended was adopted.

Of the Temples which were granted Charters at this Session, the Potentate of Moila Temple, Noble WALTER J. HILTON, was present.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.



HE Committee on Finance and Accounts presented the following Report :

To the Imperial Potentate and Members of the Imperial Council :

Your Committee on Finance and Accounts beg to submit the following Report :

We have carefully examined the financial accounts of the Imperial Treasurer and the Imperial Recorder, together with the accompanying vouchers and bills, and submit the following :

Your Committee recommend that five hundred copies of the Proceedings of this Annual Session of the Imperial Council be printed, at an expense of not to exceed three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350), unless said expense is approved by the Imperial Potentate.

We recommend that a warrant be drawn in favor of Noble Theodore Elmendorf for mileage and per diem for services as Imperial Assistant Guard during the present Session.

We recommend that the Imperial Recorder for the ensuing year be paid the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600), the same to cover all services rendered to the Imperial Council.

We find the amount of cash in the Treasury, as per Report herewith, to be ten thousand eight hundred and ninety-two dollars and ninety-two cents (\$10,892.92).

Your Committee would further recommend that the sum allowed per diem for time actually consumed by the Imperial Potentate in the service of the Imperial Council be five dollars per day, in addition to actual expenses.

We congratulate the Imperial Council on the healthy state of the Imperial Treasury, and heartily commend the action of the Imperial Treasurer, Noble George W. Millar, in allowing interest, amounting to one hundred and eighty-four dollars and thirty-three cents (\$184.33).

Your Committee find that the sum of \$650 has already been expended for compiling and printing music, and would respectfully ask probable amount yet to be expended on this account.

Your Committee find that they were authorized to inform the Past Imperial Potentate that the amount due from him be paid forthwith, and that this has not been done, and suggest that some action be taken in the matter at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD B. JORDAN,
HORACE W. HUBBARD,
WILLIAM A. STILES,

Committee.

On motion, the Report was received and the Recommendations were adopted.

ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF TEMPLES.

On motion of Noble HENRY E. HOSLEY, it was—

Resolved, That the Roster of Members of Temples, to May 1. 1889, as ordered at the last Annual Session, be issued in a separate pamphlet, without their professions and residences, and that two thousand five hundred copies be printed thereof.

INDEBTEDNESS CANCELLED.

On motion of Noble WAYLAND TRASK, it was—

Resolved, That the record in relation to the indebtedness of Past Imperial Potentate WALTER M. FLEMING be cancelled.

BILLS REFERRED.

The Imperial Recorder presented bills of Noble A. H. Kellogg for \$1,913, balance due for printing 500 copies of Music Book, and for \$442.50 for printing to date, which were, on motion, referred to the Finance Committee.

BILLS TO BE AUDITED.

Noble GEORGE E. PANTLIND offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Finance Committee have the power of auditing all bills, subject to the endorsement of the Imperial Potentate, and no bill shall be paid unless it goes through such process.

The Resolution was, under the Constitution, laid over till the next Annual Session for action.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS.



SPECIAL Committee on the Annual Address presented the following Report :

The Committee to whom was referred the Annual Address of the Imperial Potentate for subdivision and reference to appropriate Committees, beg leave to submit the following Report :

First—We congratulate the Order upon its unimpaired prosperity, as shown in the able report of our Imperial Potentate, and we take pleasure in attributing this result to his untiring zeal in the general welfare of the Shrine, and his active and intelligent work in instituting new Temples.

Second—That the portion of the Address referring to the fraternal dead be referred to the Committee on Deceased Members.

Third—That the portion of the Address relating to the transactions of Imperial Officers be referred to the Committee on Transactions of the Imperial Officers.

Fourth—That the portion of the Address relating to Dispensations and Charters be referred to the Committee having those matters in charge.

Fifth—That the portion of the Address relating to Correspondence be referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Sixth—That all that portion of the Address referring and relating to finance and accounts be referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

Seventh—That the part of the Address referring to grievances and appeals be referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

Eighth—That the portion of the Address referring to jurisprudence and laws be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

Ninth—That that portion of Address referring to Ritual be referred to Committee on Ritual.

Tenth—That we heartily commend the action of the Imperial Potentate in instituting official visits, and we believe its continuance will be a source of great benefit to the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. MAY,
WILLIAM C. NICKUM,
EDWARD C. CULP,
Committee.

On motion of THADDEUS B. BEECHER, the Report of the Committee on Address was received, the Committee were discharged with the thanks of the Imperial Council, and the subjects were ordered to be referred as recommended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING



THE Committee on Place of Meeting offered the following Report :

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine :

The Committee appointed to select a place of meeting of the Imperial Council for the year 1890, after due and careful consideration, would recommend that the Imperial Council meet in the city of San Francisco, California.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. HEATON,
JOSEPH K. ASHBY,
CHARLES L. FIELD,
CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
FRANK LOCKE,

Committee.

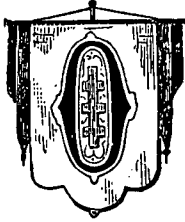
On motion, the Report was received, and the Recommendation adopted.

TIME OF NEXT ANNUAL SESSION.

On motion of Noble RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR., it was—

Resolved, That the date of the meeting of the next Annual Session of this Imperial Council be referred to the Imperial Potentate.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSACTIONS OF THE IMPERIAL OFFICERS.



THE Transactions of the Imperial Officers the Committee presented the following Report :

To the Imperial Potentate and Members of the Imperial Council :

Your Committee on the Transactions of the Imperial Officers have carefully reviewed the record, as presented in the Address of the Imperial Potentate, and heartily recommend that their work be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

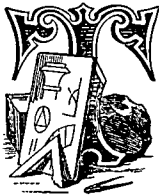
FRANK S. HASTINGS,
LOUIS P. ECKER,
GEORGE H. WALKER.
Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the Recommendation adopted.

REPRESENTATIVES FOR THREE YEARS—DECISION.

In reply to questions submitted by the Members, the IMPERIAL POTENTATE decided that the new Representatives were Members of the Imperial Council for three years.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.



THE Committee on Grievances and Appeals presented the following Report :

To the Officers and Members of the Imperial Council :

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals beg leave to submit the following Report :

The only matter brought before your Committee was a complaint from Salaam Temple against Medinah Temple, regarding the conferring of the Order of the Shrine by the latter Temple upon petitioners within the jurisdiction of Salaam.

This matter was, at the last hour, brought before your Committee, and proper time has not been afforded us to investigate a charge of so serious a nature.

The Potentate of Medinah Temple was summoned to appear before your Committee, and stated that copies of the charges had not been received by him or his Recorder, and he was not prepared to properly submit a reply during the time which could be given by your Committee.

Your Committee recommend that this matter be referred to a special committee, with instructions to make a full examination, and be prepared with a recommendation at the next Annual Session of the Imperial Council.

We herewith submit all papers relating to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
EDWARD C. CULP,
GEORGE P. BALMAIN,
Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the Recommendation adopted.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCE.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed as the Special Committee on the Grievance and Appeal of Salaam Temple,

Noble JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
“ EDWARD C. CULP,
“ GEORGE P. BALMAIN.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM ALLOWED.

On motion of Noble JOSEPH S. WRIGHT, it was—

Resolved, That Noble JOHN W. HASELTINE, Member of the Imperial Council at present, but not a Representative, be allowed mileage and per diem.

TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.



THE Election of the Imperial Officers for the ensuing three years was declared in order, and the new Representatives were formally summoned to assemble and take their seats.

New Representatives.

The Roll of the New Representatives was called, and the fifty-nine Representatives present, as noted in the Report of the Committee on Credentials, duly assembled and took their seats.

Presiding Officer.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE invited Noble HENRY A. COLLINS, of Toronto, Canada, to preside during the Election of the Imperial Officers, who accepted.

Tellers.

The PRESIDING OFFICER appointed as Tellers :

Noble EDWARD C. CULP,
" GEORGE P. BALMAIN,
" CHARLES W. CUSHMAN.

Election of Officers.

By due nominations and regular ballot, the following Nobles were declared duly elected Officers of the Imperial Council for the ensuing three years, and accepted their respective offices :

NOBLE SAM. BRIGGS.....IMPERIAL POTENTATE.
" HENRY E. HOSLEY.....IMPERIAL DEPUTY POTENTATE.
" WILLIAM B. MELISHIMPERIAL CHIEF RABBAN.
" THOMAS J. HUDSONIMPERIAL ASSISTANT RABBAN.
" JOHN T. BRUSHIMPERIAL HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET.
" BRUCE GOODFELLOWIMPERIAL ORIENTAL GUIDE.
" JOSEPH S. WRIGHTIMPERIAL TREASURER.
" FRANK M. LUCE.....IMPERIAL RECORDER.
" WILLIAM H. MAYO..IMPERIAL FIRST CEREMONIAL MASTER.
" WAYLAND TRASK..IMPERIAL SECOND CEREMONIAL MASTER.
" CYRUS W. EATON.....IMPERIAL MARSHAL.
" EDWARD C. CULP.....IMPERIAL CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD.
" CHARLES L. FIELD.....IMPERIAL OUTER GUARD.

Appointment.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed

NOBLE THEODORE ELMENDORF.IMPERIAL ASSISTANT GUARD.

INSTALLATION OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER proceeded with the Installation Ceremonies in due form, the Vow of Office was administered, and the Imperial Officers were proclaimed duly installed.

THANKS TENDERED.

On motion of Noble JOHN A. MAY, it was—

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to Noble HENRY A. COLLINS for the excellent exemplification of his official duties; and also that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Tellers for the faithful performance of their duties.

THANKS TO IMPERIAL TREASURER.

On motion of Noble EDWARD B. JORDAN, it was—

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to Noble GEORGE W. MILLAR for his attention to the duties of Imperial Treasurer since the death of Noble JOSEPH M. LEVEY.

COMMITTEE ON TESTIMONIALS.

On motion of Noble RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR., it was—

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to express the sentiments of the Imperial Council for the services rendered by the Imperial Treasurer, Noble GEORGE W. MILLAR, and the Imperial Recorder, Noble WILLIAM S. PATERSON, and that such Committee consist of

Noble SAM. BRIGGS,
“ HENRY A. COLLINS,
“ GEORGE P. BALMAIN.

THANKS TO MEDINAH TEMPLE.

On motion of Noble WILLIAM H. MAYO, it was—

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the Officers and Nobles of Medinah Temple for their courteous and generous hospitality to the Imperial Council during its present Session in Chicago, and for the excellent accommodations provided for their deliberations.

AMENDMENT.

Noble JOHN W. BOYLE offered the following Amendment to the Constitution :

Resolved, That Article XI., Section 1, as to the number of members of Standing Committees, be amended by striking out the word “three,” and inserting the word “five.”

The Amendment was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TESTIMONIALS.



IN Testimonials the Committee, through Most Illustrious SAM BRIGGS, reported that they recommend that five hundred dollars be appropriated as a testimonial to the Past Imperial Recorder, for his faithful services in the past ; and they also recommend that the matter of a testimonial to Noble GEORGE W. MILLAR, Acting Imperial Treasurer, be left until his return from Europe, on account of which trip he was absent at this Session.

The Report was, on motion, received, and the Recommendations were adopted.

TRANSFER OF IMPERIAL RECORDER'S OFFICE.

On motion of Noble EDWARD B. JORDAN, it was—

Resolved, That three months' salary and three months' office rent be allowed to the Past Imperial Recorder while closing up the affairs of his office, and that the transfer be made as rapidly as possible.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.



REPORT of Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws was presented as follows :

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine :

Your Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws have carefully considered the decisions of the Imperial Potentate as they appear in his Annual Address to the Imperial Council at this Session.

We find that several decisions are seemingly in conflict with each other.

Objection after Ballot.

In the matter of objection after ballot, or election, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following, as a decision covering such matters :

"After a candidate has been declared elected, any subsequent objection or protest must be filed in writing, and must stand. Said objection shall be entered upon the Minutes, and shall have the same force and effect as a second black ball, and shall prevent a reconsideration of the matter for thirteen weeks."

Decisions to Temples.

Your Committee approve of the decisions of the Imperial Potentate as made to Moolah Temple, Islam Temple, El Kahir Temple, and Hella and Sesostri Temples.

Representatives.

Your Committee recommend that Article III., Section 1, of the Constitution, be changed in the second sentence, so as to read as follows, and as suggested by the Imperial Potentate :

“ Each Temple shall be further entitled to one additional Representative for every three hundred members, and one for each fraction over three hundred members, in its number of membership ; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives ”

Representatives Elected Annually.

Your Committee note the decision, made during this Session by the Imperial Potentate, that Representatives are elected for three years, which appears to us to conflict with the intention of the Constitution, and they submit the following amendment, which will lie over one year, under the rules :

Resolved, That Section 2, of Article III., of the Constitution, be amended to read :

“ The Representatives shall be chosen as follows : Each Temple shall *annually* elect by ballot,” etc.

Number of Members of Standing Committees.

The Resolution offered to amend Article XI., Section 1, of the Constitution, referred to this Committee, we herewith submit for the consideration of the Imperial Council at its next Annual Session, as follows :

Resolved, That Article XI., Section 1, be amended by striking out the word “three,” and inserting the word “five,” so that it shall read, “The following Standing Committees, each consisting of *five* members, shall be appointed,” etc.

Jurisdiction and Consent of Temples.

In the matter of jurisdiction of Temples and consent of nearest Temples, your Committee are of the opinion that new legislation is needed, and will submit amendments, which will lie over for a year under the rules, as follows :

Resolved, That Section 2, of Article XIII., of the Constitution, shall be amended to read :

“ No Dispensation shall be issued unless the petition shall be submitted to the nearest Temple of the Order in the State or Territory ; but, in the

event of a refusal of said nearest Temple to grant consent, it shall be within the power of the Imperial Potentate to grant said Dispensation without said consent, should he deem it for the best interests of the Order to do so. When an application for a Dispensation in unoccupied territory is received," etc., as now printed.

Resolved, That the following be added to Section 1, of Article XIV., of the Constitution :

"*Provided*, also, that this Imperial Council may declare concurrent jurisdiction between all Temples in States where more than one Temple exists, should it appear for the best interests of the Order to do so, but only after said disputing Temples have failed to agree upon concurrent jurisdiction or an equitable division of territory."

Emeriti Members.

In the matter of the petition of certain Nobles, former members of the Imperial Council, to have an Emeritus list of membership established, your Committee on Jurisprudence, without expressing their opinion in the matter, present an amendment to the Constitution, which will lie over until the next Session, as follows :

Resolved, That Section 5, of Article III., of the Constitution, be amended to read :

"SECTION 5. All Past Imperial Potentates shall be Representatives *ad vitam*. The Imperial Council may, at its pleasure, elect any Member of the Order as an Emeritus Member of the Imperial Council. Said Emeritus Member or Members shall have a voice in the proceedings of the Imperial Council, but shall have no other privileges or emoluments."

By-laws.

Your Committee have had so many matters presented for their consideration that they have been unable to give a careful reading to the By-laws of Osiris, Ismailia, Syria, and El Jebel Temples. They recommend that these By-laws be referred to the Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, and, if they be found in accordance with the laws of the Imperial Council, that he be authorized to certify them as such to the Imperial Potentate, who shall notify the Temples that they are approved.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM B. MELISH,
WILLIAM H. MAYO,
JOHN A. MAY,

Committee.

The Report was, on motion, received, the Recommendations were adopted, and the Amendments to the Constitution were laid over until the next Annual Session for action.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE.



Y the Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives the following Report was presented :

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine :

Your Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives of the Imperial Council beg leave to recommend that the Representatives to the Imperial Council be paid mileage at the rate of three cents per mile each way travelled, computed by the shortest railroad route, and that they be allowed per diem for three days, at the rate of five dollars a day.

The Committee have considered the matter of mileage and per diem to such Nobles present as were Officers of the Triennial Term just ended, but not now Representatives, and the cases of Noble John W. Haseltine, Active Member of the past Triennial Term, and Noble Walter J. Hilton, Potentate of Moila Temple, which has just been granted a Charter, referred to them by the Imperial Council, and do also recommend that they be allowed mileage and per diem at the same rates as allowed to the Representatives.

The Committee also report that, in cases where the amount of Receipts from the Temples for the past year is less than the amount of mileage for their Representatives, the latter amount was limited to the receipts from such Temples for the past year.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the amounts set opposite to the names of the Representatives and Officers be paid, as follows :

Representatives.

Noble Frank S. Hastings.....	Abdallah Temple,	\$46 25
" Louis P. Ecker	Acca "	50 00
" Henry E. Hosley.....	Aleppo "	77 16
" James A. Fox.....	" "	77 16
" Benjamin W. Rowell.....	" "	77 16
" Frank Locke.....	" "	77 16
" William N. Baldwin.....	Algeria "	119 40
" Sam. Briggs	Al Koran "	36 40
" Richard P. Marvin, Jr.....	" "	38 50
" Horace W. Hubbard.....	" "	36 40
" George H. Walker.....	Almas "	65 50
" Ethelbert F. Allen.....	Ararat "	45 10
" William C. Nickum	Boumi "	66 00
" Thomas J. Bishop	Cyprus "	22 00

Noble George F. Loder.....	Damascus Temple,	\$61 45
" Albert B. McGaffey.....	El Jebel	" 76 55
" Cyrus W. Eaton.....	El Kahir	" 28 20
" William D. Stites.....	El Riad	" 47 55
" Joseph K. Ashby.....	Hella	" 76 35
" Edward C. Culp.....	Isis	" 57 15
" Charles L. Field.....	Islam	" 164 10
" Charles W. Cushman.....	Ismailia	" 46 50
" Lewis P. Dosh.....	Kaaba	" 18 00
" Wayland Trask.....	Kismet	" 72 90
" Joseph S. Wright.....	Lulu	" 73 50
" Edward B. Jordan.....	"	" 73 50
" Frederick Liebrandt.....	"	" 73 50
" Ezra S. Bartlett.....	"	" 73 50
" Joseph B. Eakins.....	Mecca	" 72 90
" James McGee.....	"	" 72 90
" William S. Paterson.....	"	" 72 90
" John A. May.....	Medinah	" 15 00
" William A. Stiles.....	"	" 15 00
" Frank M. Luce.....	"	" 15 00
" James H. Thompson.....	"	" 15 00
" William H. Mayo.....	Moolah	" 32 10
" Charles H. Mallett.....	Morocco	" 87 00
" Marvin H. Chamberlain.....	Moslem	" 32 00
" Bruce Goodfellow.....	"	" 32 00
" William M. Bailey.....	"	" 32 00
" Charles H. Heaton.....	Mount Sinai	" 73 50
" John T. Brush.....	Murat	" 26 70
" Henry Stowell.....	Oriental	" 71 10
" Mathew R. Wolff.....	Osiris	" 43 20
" George R. Metcalf.....	Osman	" 39 60
" Thaddeus B. Beecher.....	Pyramid	" 72 30
" Henry Setzer, Jr.....	"	" 72 30
" Henry A. Collins.....	Rameses	" 45 75
" Gideon D. Slanker.....	Salaam	" 18 00
" Samuel E. Watson.....	Saladin	" 25 95
" James Tyler.....	Sesostris	" 45 15
" George P. Balmain.....	Syria	" 45 40
" Benjamin Darlington.....	"	" 45 40
" William B. Melish.....	Syrian	" 33 40
" Charles H. Flach.....	"	" 33 40
" William Michie.....	"	" 33 40
" Luther L. Caufy.....	Tripoli	" 20 10
" John W. Boyle.....	Ziyara	" 56 00
" Joseph L. Dobbin.....	Zuhrah	" 40 20

Officers, etc.

Noble William Ryan.....	Imperial Sec. Cer. Master, \$34 00
“ George E. Pantlind.....	Imperial Captain of Guard, 25 95
“ Theodore Elmendorf.....	Imperial Assistant Guard, 36 40
“ John W. Haseltine.....	Active Member, 73 50
“ Walter J. Hilton.....	Potentate Moila Temple, 42 95

Total mileage for 1888.....\$3,324 39

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
WILLIAM N. BALDWIN,
GEORGE F. LODER,

Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the Recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MEMBERS.

The Committee on Deceased Members presented the following Report :

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers, and Members of the Imperial Council :



URING the past year, the Committee on Deceased Members observe with painful sorrow that the Divan of the Imperial Council has lost one of its most indefatigable Officers in the person of Noble Joseph M. Levéy, Imperial Treasurer. It is the first time in our history that the mournful Angel Azrail has visited our beloved circle of Active Members, and he has borne to the Unseen Temple one of our brilliant ornaments. We recommend with the Imperial Potentate that a portrait of our beloved Noble be inserted in our Proceedings, with the history of his active career among us.

We observe with regret that the honored company of Past Active Members has lost three of its brightest jewels, in the persons of Nobles Samuel Harper, John W. Simons, and Theodore E. Haslehurst, whose memories have been lovingly traced in the Annual Address. We also recommend that memorial pages be inserted in our Proceedings.

In the subordinate Temples, the past year has been sadly marked by the loss of a large number of Nobles, many of whom have been busy craftsmen in Masonic work and active members of the Mystic Shrine

Their paths have been strewn with trials and perils, but they have manfully surmounted all obstacles, and their deeds of work and charity will live in our memories as shining examples for us in our onward progress to perfection. The heartfelt sympathy of the Imperial Council is herewith tendered to the various Temples that now miss those who were dealers and counsellors, and, while their virtues shall ever be held in remembrance, we place their honored names on our memorial pages.

In the loss of Noble William L. Baldwin, the Mystic Shrine is bereft of one whose noble deeds during the severe epidemic of yellow fever will ever be held in high veneration in Jacksonville, Florida. He was born in Jacksonville in 1840, and, after receiving a good education, went to Albany, where he was graduated as physician and surgeon in the Albany Medical School, where he was one of the classmates with Dr. Walter M. Fleming. He then located at Geneva, N. Y., where he practised his profession until 1879, when he removed permanently to the city of his residence. Here he became a member of Duval Lodge, No. 18, Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, and Damascus Commandery, No. 2, and at the time of his decease he was the Worshipful Master of his Lodge, Excellent King of his Chapter, and Recorder of his Commandery. He was one of the founders of Morocco Temple in 1888, and, taking an active part in its success, he became the Recorder. He was prominently connected with the County and State Medical Societies, and was President of the former during 1887 and 1888. During the latter year he was visiting physician to St. Luke's Hospital, where in his active duties on the patients he contracted the fell disease, and entered the Unseen Temple on September 4, 1888. He left a widow, a daughter, and a young son.

We recall this noble example of fidelity to duty, and courage amid the greatest dangers, and point to this high development of manhood, influenced, we have no doubt, by those beautiful Masonic teachings and the high aims of the Mystic Shrine which these institutions ever inculcate, as one that should be perpetually kept before our eyes, and which places him among the grand army of martyrs who have sacrificed their lives for the good of their fellows.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. NICKUM,
THOMAS J. HUDSON,
JOSEPH K. ASHBY,

Committee.

The Report was received, and the Recommendations were approved.



JOSEPH MYERS LEVÉY,

IMPERIAL TREASURER.



NOBLE JOSEPH MYERS LEVÉY was born on June 2, 1820, in Dover, Kent County, England, the first son of Worshipful Brother Emanuel Levéy, a prominent and influential resident of that city. The latter, at the time of the enfranchisement of the Jews in England, was the first to exercise the privilege of the ballot. On the return of Wellington from Waterloo, he was one of three who, with great enthusiasm, received the illustrious General, and carried him on their shoulders to the place of reception in the town. The father belonged to several bodies of Freemasonry, and was at one time Master of his Lodge.

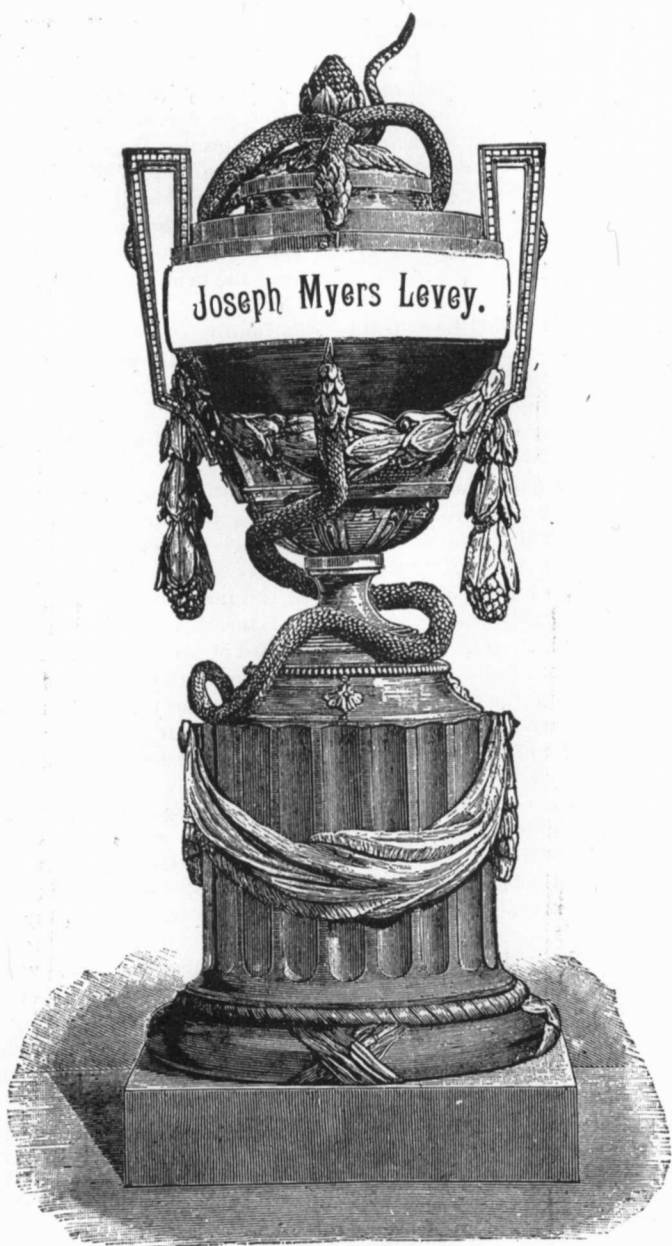
Noble Levéy received a liberal education in England, and afterward went to France to complete his studies, where he became a classical scholar and obtained high merit in the various branches. On his return to England, through the influence of his father, he entered the employment of the government, and soon after went to Australia, where he occupied high positions of trust for several years.

The glowing accounts of the gold fields of California finally induced him to leave for San Francisco, where he entered the service of a large firm trading between the Sandwich Islands and California. About 1856, he went to Nevada, a city of California, and became prominently connected with the principal parties of the city, and, being about the only one competent for the work, was for several years assistant to the Judge of the District Court, becoming prothonotary, and for many years did all the business of the County Clerk. A request to be nominated by the citizens for election to higher office was quietly refused. He became a citizen of this country at this place on August 22, 1857.

It was in this city that the portals of Masonry were opened for his reception, and on September 3, 1859, he received the Entered Apprentice Degree, was passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft on October 1, and



James W.
Los Angeles



raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on October 15, in the same year, in Nevada Lodge, No. 13. Here he was Steward in 1861, and Marshal in 1862. In 1860 he received the Capitular Degrees in Nevada Chapter, No. 6, where he became Master of the Third Veil in 1862, and served as Secretary from 1863 to 1866. While in this city he controlled a large drug business, but was burned out twice, the last time leaving nothing, and even all his personal goods and money being stolen. Returning to San Francisco, he re-entered the firm where he was first engaged.

In 1865 he travelled East to meet his family, which had now given him five brothers and five sisters as life companions. His father, having five sons in America, had followed them, and staying at Toronto for a while, where he joined Wilson Lodge, No. 68, he afterward went to Montreal, Canada. Here the family met and had a pleasant reunion. It is stated that, while Brother Charles L. Levéy, the youngest son, was Master of Antiquity Lodge in Montreal, the father was introduced to the Lodge, and was received by his sons, Charles L., Samuel G. Lawrence L., and Joseph M. Of the brothers, Michael L. went in the English interests to the port of Bathurst, on the river Gambia, in Africa, where, on the death of the Collector, he took command of the port, and by virtue of his position, in the absence of the Governor, exercised the authority of the latter. His brother Edward M. went to California with Colonel Fremont in his overland journey through the West, accompanying him through the glorious trip that has rung through the history of that little known region. We may also observe that his brother Charles L. is the author of a "History of the World," published some years ago in this country.

After the death of the mother in Toronto, the father came to New York, where he was soon joined by Noble Levéy, who dimitted from his Lodge and Chapter in 1869, and came East to reside in New York. In 1874, his father finished his earthly pilgrimage, leaving all his family in good circumstances, and able to win their way in their various successful careers.

In 1873, Noble Levéy joined Manahatta Lodge, No. 489, was an Honorary Member of Howard Lodge, No. 35, and subsequently entered Star of Cuba Lodge, No. 742, of which he became Master, serving for two terms in 1882 and 1883. He then accepted the Treasurership, which he held for the past five years. By the Grand Master, Frank R. Lawrence, he was appointed one of the Committee on Antiquities of the Masonic Hall, acting as Secretary, and did a large amount of work in arranging the multifarious articles which were contributed, and increased the interest by a number of donations of his own in that line.

On June 5, 1873, he joined Ancient Chapter, No. 1, of New York, where he was Scribe in 1875 and 1876, and was elected High Priest, serving during 1877 and 1878. At this time he carefully collated the old

Records of his Chapter, and completed a full list of all members thereof, with all information and data, and list of all officers, from the earliest time, which he kept carefully written by himself up to the last convocation of June of last year. It is now preserved as the "Sacred Roll." In the Grand Chapter of New York he was active on the subject of the History of Royal Arch Masonry, and through his influence the work was begun, and he had done great service in elucidating the early standing of the first Chapters in the State. He has left a large amount of material for the making of a complete history, which, it is hoped, may become available in the hands of a competent person, and be given to the public. On July 15, 1885, he was accorded a patent from the Grand Chapter of North Carolina as its Representative near the Grand Chapter of New York, which he held for the past four years.

In the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, he was received in the Lodge of Perfection of New York City on June 20, 1873, in the Council of Princes of Jerusalem of New York City on September 12, 1873, in the Chapter of Rose Croix of New York City on September 26 following, and on November 5, 1873, was created Prince of the Royal Secret in the Consistory of New York City. In the Council he was elected Sovereign Prince Grand Master, which he held with great honor from 1875 to 1878. He served in various positions in all the Bodies, principally as Trustee, in which he was most exact in all matters relating thereto. In 1885 he became Treasurer of the Consistory, which he held for the past four years, and his work here has met commendation from all for his detailed faithfulness to the interests of the Body. When the Bodies above mentioned took possession of its Scottish Rite Hall, in the early part of this year, he lent all his energies to its success, acting as the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Hall.

His excellent record met the approbation of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U. S. A., and on September 15, 1885, he received the Thirty-third Degree, and was crowned Honorary Member, at Boston.

In the Royal Order of Scotland, he was admitted to the Provincial Grand Lodge of the United States of America, at Washington, D. C., on December 1, 1881, under the Illustrious Albert Pike.

He was also a member of the College of Rosicrucians of New York State, having attained the Eighth Degree, and he had done some literary work for that Order.

In May, 1887, he became a corresponding member of the Literary Coterie Lodge, known as the Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, of Margate, England, and had begun some work in the interest of this Body.

On October 4, 1873, he became a member of the Masonic Club, A. A. S. R., of New York, and was Second Vice-President from 1876 to 1878; when he became First Vice-President, and retained this position for the past ten years.

He was a member of the Masonic Veterans of New York, was its Treasurer for two years, and was Vice-President for the past year.

In the Mystic Shrine he received the Order from M. I. Walter M. Fleming, in Mecca Temple, on June 6, 1876. He was empowered with letters patent, March 15, 1884, to proceed to England, and open a Temple in London, but the principal Masons seemed unwilling to take hold of it, and perhaps, very singularly, on account of the strife at that time in Arabia with the English Government, and it was stated that the motto of the Order seemed to be too near fraternizing and upholding the Arabs to meet with the approbation of the English. On June 6, 1883, he was elected an Active Member of the Imperial Council, and also became its Treasurer, in which position he served faithfully for the past five years, leaving the important trust committed to him in most admirable order and correctness. In Mecca Temple he became Treasurer in 1879, and held this office for the past ten years, leaving his accounts in careful order.

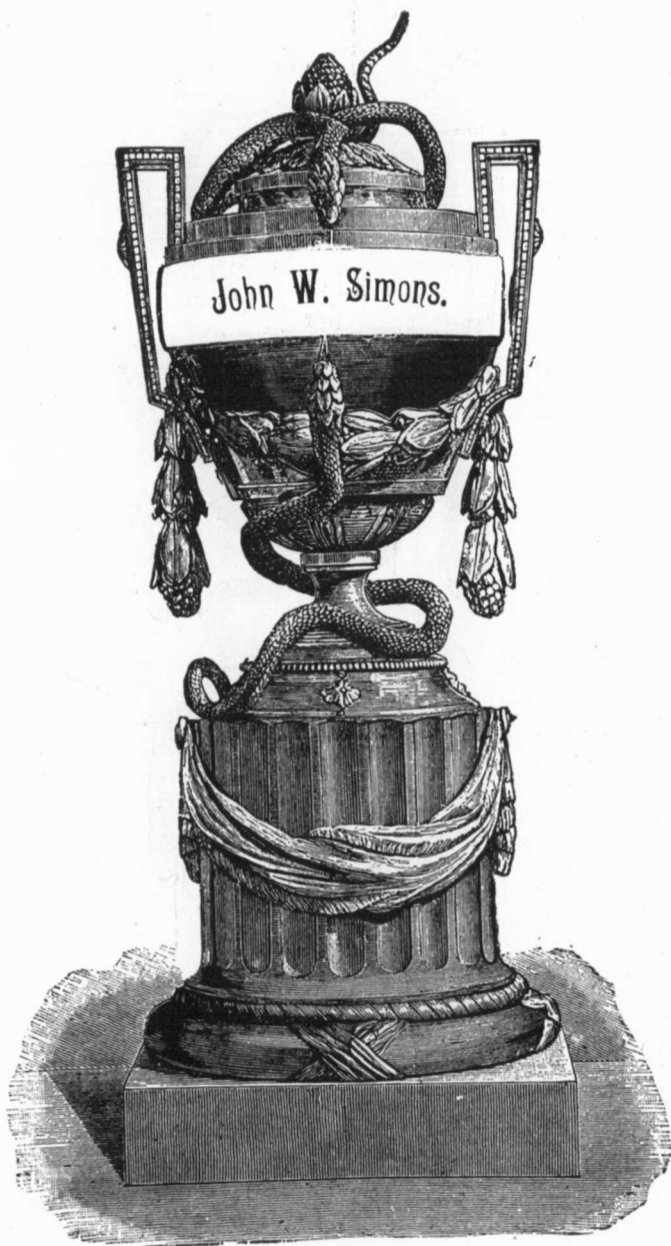
In later years he held an important position in the Consolidated Gas Company of New York, and was trusted with the management of the finances to a very great extent. He merited the confidence reposed in him, and left sorrowing friends in the company.

Noble Joseph M. Levéy was of a very friendly nature, and courteous in all his dealings with every one with whom he came in contact. He was of a social disposition, but was very particular in selecting his associates. Nearly every year he travelled to Europe, to visit relatives and friends, and made it the means of increasing his knowledge in literature as well. He was thoroughly acquainted with the French language, was a good Latin scholar, and also familiar with several other languages. He never married, and his recreation consisted in literary pursuits for his own benefit; yet he gave much time to those connected with Masonry, as evidenced by his labors in the History of Royal Arch Masonry, and his aid in matters connected with the "History of Freemasonry in New York" is highly spoken of by Noble Charles T. McClenachan in that work, just issued from the press. He translated several French works into English, the manuscript of which he lent to his friends to read, but offered none for publication.

He had a generous disposition, and never neglected an opportunity to visit those who were ill, or to grant assistance to those requiring it, with the grace of a prince. None can call to mind any word of impatience on his part, and in all controversies he ever courteously maintained his views, and never assailed the opinions and rights of others. He was taken suddenly ill on August 18 with malignant pustule, which proved fatal on August 20, 1888.

The funeral ceremonies were held at Masonic Hall, in the presence of a large number of friends.

WILLIAM S. PATERSON.







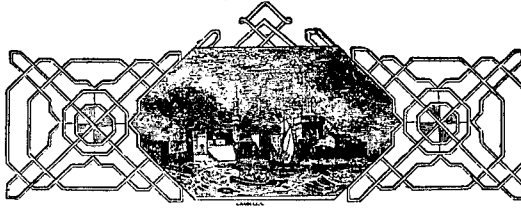
ENTERED THE UNSEEN TEMPLE.

ABBEY, A. H.....	May 30, 1888.	... DAMASCUS.
AIKMAN, CHARLES.....	July 30, "	MECCA.
BACH, LEWIS.....	Dec. 11, "	MECCA.
BALDWIN, WILLIAM L.....	(See Obituary).....	MOROCCO.
BARNARD, CHARLES E.....	May 14, 1888.....	ZIYARA.
BARTLETT, SAMUEL C.....	Nov. 2, "	MECCA.
BEACH, CARMi W.....	Jan. "	ISLAM.
BEERS, STURGES D.....	June 23, "	PYRAMID.
BISHOP, ISADORE.....	Mar. 14, 1887.....	MURAT.
BRADY, BENJAMIN F.....	Mar. 30, 1888.....	MECCA.
BURNES, JAMES N.....	Jan. 25, 1889.....	MOILA.
CAMM, THEODORE D.....	Jan. 21, 1888....	MECCA.
CHICKERING, CHARLES E.....	Nov. 15, " ..	PALESTINE.
CLOUGH, GILBERT.....	Dec. 27, "	ZUHRAH.
DALE, W. JAMES.....	Oct. 28, "	LU LU.
DIBERT, J. H.....	June 29, "	SYRIA.
DORNAN, JOHN.....	July 28, "	LU LU.
DUNHAM, LEWIS R.....	Sept. 3, "	MECCA.
ELY, FRANKLIN W.....	Sept. 14, " ..	MOROCCO.
EN EARL, W. L.....	Oct. 25, " ..	MEDINAH.
FLETCHER, SAMUEL.....	Dec. 14, 1887.....	LU LU.
FORD, A. J., JR.....	1888.....	ACCA.
FORD, ELLERY C.....	Feb. 1, "	ALMAS.
FULLER, CHARLES W.....	April 9, "	MECCA.
GARRIGUES, H. H.....	Nov. 19, "	BOUMI.
GODET, HENRY T.....	Sept. 5, "	MECCA.
GOODRICH, B. F.....	Aug. 15, " ..	AL KORAN.
GUNN, THOMAS H.....	"	ACCA.
HANNA, JOHN.....	Dec. 12, "	MECCA.
HARTLEB, D.....	Feb. 16, "	SYRIA.
HASLEHURST, THEODORE E. (See Address) ...		ORIENTAL.
HAYNES, JOHN S.....	Dec. 5, 1888	LU LU.
HEDDEN, WARREN R.....	Jan. 23, "	MECCA.
HOLLIDAY, CORTES F.....	(See Proc. 1888. p. 46)	MURAT.

HOLT, ENOCH.....	1888	AL KADER.
HOLTZ, L. F.....	Aug., 1888	ISLAM.
HUBBARD, GEORGE I.....	Jan. 1, "	EL JEBEL.
LEVEY, JOSEPH M.....	(See Obituary)	MECCA.
LOBDELL, GEORGE.....	May 4, 1888	ORIENTAL.
LYON, FRANK G.....	April 22, "	MECCA.
McFERRAN, M. L.....	Dec. 28, "	KOSAIR.
MANS, GEORGE V.....	April 8, "	SYRIA.
MIXSELL, JOSEPH.....	July 3, "	LU LU.
MONNIA, EUGENE F.....	Aug. 26, "	MECCA.
MOORE, DANIEL.....	Jan. 1, "	MOILA.
MORRIS, THOMAS.....	Feb. "	BOUMI.
MOYER, JOHN K.....	Feb. 8, "	MECCA.
MUNROE, WILLIAM O.....	Aug. 22, "	MECCA.
OEHM, FRANZ F.....	Nov. 16, "	BOUMI.
OWEN, G. W.....	April 17 "	MOSLEM.
PAPE, HENRY, JR.....	June 22, "	MECCA.
PEARSON, JESSE H.....	Nov. "	ALEPPO.
POND, JOHN E.....	Jan. 10, "	PYRAMID.
REED, JAMES A.....	April 6, "	MECCA.
REIS, GUSTAVE.....	Sept. "	ISLAM.
ROBERTSON, WILLIAM F.....	Nov. "	ORIENTAL.
ROCK, LOUIS B.....	May 28, "	TRIPOLI.
RODENHAUSEN, GEORGE W.....	Oct. 29, "	LU LU.
SEACORD, S. H.....	Aug. 5, "	LU LU.
SIMONS, JOHN W.....	(See Address)	MECCA.
SIMONSON, ISAAC.....	Jan. 7, 1888	MECCA.
SOPER, DELATUS.....	Nov. 19, "	MURAT.
SQUIRES, COLLINS S.....	Oct. 20, "	MEDINAH.
STACY, GEORGE P.....	"	ACCA.
STOKES, B. FRANK.....	July 5, "	LU LU.
STOWELL, FRANK L.....	Feb. 20, "	MECCA.
VERBEEK, LEONARD G.....	April 16, "	CYPRUS.
WOOD, J. S.....	March 14, "	ZIYARA.

GLORY TO HIM

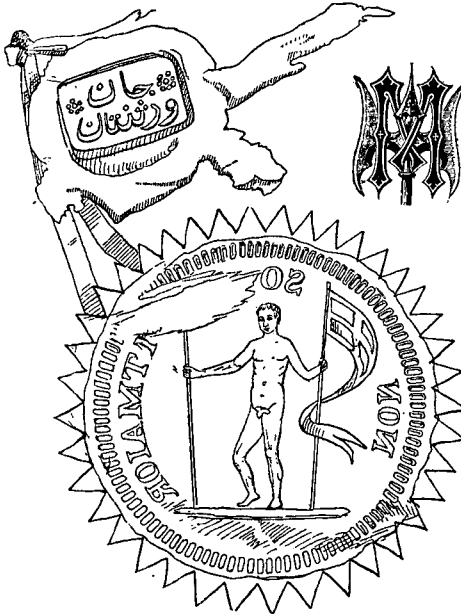
WHO TRANSPORTED HIS SERVANT TO THE UNSEEN TEMPLE!



FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

MALTA, MEDITERRANEAN SEA, March 20, 1889.

To Ill.: SAM. BRIGGS, *Imperial Potentate of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, for North America:*



OST FAITHFUL AND ESTEEMED
NOBLE: Accept these, my greet-
ings, "*Es Selamu Aleikum!*"
May your shadow never grow
less!

Bismillah!

The dear old Order prospers and grows as it never prospered before. I really believe that the Eastern branches of the Shrine have been inspired by a noble strain of emulation at the surprising growth of the Great Western Shrine, to compete with you in activity, in earnestness, and in a determination of attaining greater completeness in working details. The Potentate of the Tunis Shrine soberly said to me he feared the child would exceed the father, the younger excel the older, in those things tending to spread and exalt the tenets of the A. A. O. The Tunis

Potentate spoke with serious pleasantry, however, for he is at the head of a Shrine which, for wealth, numbers, and influence, no American Temple can hope to surpass in many a long year to come. The simple truth is, the Nobles in the East are immensely proud of and thoroughly gratified at the Order's success in America. It is a brotherhood of man in a grander and more embracing sense than any other strictly human

association. No lines of religion or politics divide us. The "Arab Vow" is the noblest tie of friendship and mutual encouragement ever devised by man. Lived up to, it is the highest exemplification of Christian, Moslem, Jewish, or other excellence. Hedged round, too, as it is, by certain wise physical and mental restrictions, its membership embraces the choicest gatherings of men possible.

From these opening words you may easily gather what the tenor of my Annual Report will be. It is a trumpet blast of success and triumph all round the grand circle. The Altar fires burn brightly in every Shrine in every clime. The Crescent Claws are the symbol of wider friendships than ever before. The Bible and the Koran are placed side by side in a hundred Temples:

"Here do they lie, two symbols of two creeds,
Each meaning something to our human needs."

I feel that I must thus early apologize for the length of this report, but I do not know wherein I could pare down or omit without doing an injustice to the subject. The fact is, I could add many details of wide interest to those already included—details that should, by right of fullness and completeness, not be excluded in any report on Shrine matters in the East. But life is as short and time as valuable to American Shriners as to any community of wise men, and so, incomplete as I am aware this relation is, I submit it to the Imperial Council, entreating your kindly indulgence for its many shortcomings.

CANARY ISLANDS.

On August 4th last, in compliance with instructions from the Imperial Council, I started from this city for a brief tour of inspection of the Shrines in the Canary Islands and the coast towns of Morocco. I was sorry not to meet Noble Wilson at Gibraltar, and not to have been there at a Shrine meeting. I have yet to learn why the "Rock Scorpion" Nobles prefer to wear their Claws concealed under their vests, as I am told that some of the emblematic jewels owned by the Gibraltar "Arabs" are of peculiar beauty. In Morocco I found the Claws were worn similarly concealed, but there is excellent reason why it should be so in that Sultan-crushed country of the sunny sands, where an Arab belonging to a secret society is liable to be "punished" by the bow-string or decapitation with no available appeal. Indeed, a most cruel and deplorable occurrence in Fez in 1887 was still talked of when I was in Mogador last August. Briefly repeated, it is as follows: Two wealthy merchants of Fez—Nobles, belonging to *Bab el Jannat* Shrine—were murdered while on a caravan homeward bound from Salee. Among other valuable things taken from their persons were the richly mounted Crescent Claws they wore next to their skin suspended from gold chains. Arrested a few months later for some minor robbery, these

emblems were found in the possession of the robbers, and as they bore Arabic characters that no one in Fez was able to translate, suspicion at once marked their possessors as possible secret society enemies of the Sultan. It only required a one-sided trial before the Mufti, with an oath or two from officials eager to gain the favor of the Sultan for zeal, to condemn the poor wretches to death. And, in spite of their frantic protestations, they were bow-strung, in the public square of Fez, in the presence of an unsympathizing multitude. The crime of murdering the two merchants, to which they confessed at the last moment, had nothing to do with their punishment. Solely and purely as suspected members of a secret organization, based upon the unknown *Robur et Furor* legend dimly traversing the gold mounting, they were condemned and executed. Could they have seen the invisible *Nemesis* hidden beneath the enamel of the scimeter of the jewel, they would have felt that their ignominious death was indeed a just retribution.

From this gory incident you will see why the Morocco Shriners are justified in wearing their Claws in concealment.

From Gibraltar it was three days' steaming to Las Palmas, the principal port and town of the Grand Canary. I found the Shrine there a small but vigorous body, poor in money and with but indifferent regalia and appointments, but nevertheless sincerely intent upon living up to their Obligations as worthy Nobles. Don Gonzales Henriques, the Grand Potentate, was profuse in his kindly attentions during my stay in the island. I am thankful that I was the means of assisting the Nobles of Grand Canary to elaborate their ceremonies to a more effective advantage than had been customary before, especially in the difficult but striking work in the Third Section. They have a good armory of weapons and furnishings made of native stuffs. The main Altar is a really beautiful work of local art, made wholly of palm wood, delicately stained with the juice crushed from the peculiar blood-red corn of the island.

From the Grand Canary it was a twenty-four hours' rough and tumble sail in a freight schooner to Teneriffe. A larger membership enables the Teneriffe Shrine to accomplish more effective work than the Grand Canary Nobles. Signor — — — [I must give you his name in strict confidence, for the reason that a good deal of tact and more secrecy are necessary to be maintained in successfully conducting Shrine meetings in the Canaries, Spanish surveillance being exercised there to almost the same degree as in the mother country], the Grand Potentate, is an indefatigable and capital leader in the Order, and is a gentleman of high standing in the social and mercantile circles of Teneriffe. The costumes show good taste, the jewels and arms are appropriate, and the chamber properties in perfect keeping with their uses. The Potentate's Sceptre is very handsome,

with a magnificent topaz sunk in the top and a great sapphire at the base. The body itself is Russian malachite. The Koran and Koran stand are highly illuminated in gold and pearl. Their green banner has a peculiar value in that it had made the pilgrimage to Mecca in company with the Holy Carpet. The Headsman's Block is of solid ebony. Meetings are held on all the principal feasts, that of Ramadan being observed with the greatest splendor.

Here I found much interest in the American Shrines, notes being taken of all that I told them descriptive of our ceremonial methods. Here, again, I found a lack of thoroughness in the details of the Third Section work, which, I was assured, would be corrected in the future.

A small Shrine in Lanzarote and one in Oratova were prospering. They do good work both inside and outside the Temples proper. I gave them copies of our "Ceremonies of Installation" and "Annual Proceedings" and "Arabic Calendars."

To get into Morocco, I had to return through a sickening sea to the Grand Canary, where, after waiting ten days, I secured an ill-favored French ship going to the mainland. The Canary Island Nobles bade me "God speed," and commissioned me to convey to you, Illustrious Sir, their fraternal greetings and best wishes.

MOROCCO.

I stopped two days at Mogador, a considerable city on the coast of Morocco, walled and towered and battlemented picturesquely, and having a large coasting trade. There I found many of the well-to-do and most intelligent Magadorites were Shriners; but their meetings had to be held with the utmost secrecy. They prospered, they assured me, and were proud of being Nobles of the A. A. O. N. M. S. About two o'clock of my first afternoon there, a messenger arrived from the interior with a letter from the Sultan—written, strange enough, in German—announcing a victory over the rebels, and ordering that the flags of the city be hoisted and a salute fired. In proof of his statement, the victorious Sultan sent the head of one of the rebels for the Governor of Magador to place on a pike at the principal gate. Twenty-seven heads were thus distributed among as many towns. These heads, besides being proofs of a victory, also served to warn the subjects of the Sultan what came to those who dared rebel against his "divine" authority. If the head that I saw sticking on a pike in the great gateway of Magador was not the head of a boy not over fifteen years old, then I cannot tell the time o' day! The open way I wore my Claws at first startled the Mogador Nobles, they not realizing that I was of a foreign country, especially of great America, and hence defiant of any European—I should say, Africanic—molestation.

I felt what Titus Andronicus said :

"The eagle suffers little birds to sing,
And is not careful what they mean thereby."

In the course of conversation with a few of the leading Shriners, they warmly endorsed the expressed sentiment of *Selim el Kalaawi*, that "It would be a proud day for Morocco when the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine could wear the emblems of their Order exposed to the Sun of Islam!" The deeper meaning of the significant remark is not difficult to seize. I do not think it extravagant to say that when there comes to sunny Morocco that blessed thing that is "brightest in dungeons," Liberty, the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine will be foremost in welcoming her.

I learned that the want most felt in Morocco—I mean, of course, felt by the Shriners—was the printing press. Newspapers, as we know them, do not exist. And with so arbitrary a government as that of the Sultan's, it will be many a long day before that leveller, and elevator, and instructor, and—well, in short, that *everything* that is desirable to unshackle ignorance and ambition, *i. e.* the newspaper, comes to that unfortunate country.

From Mogador I took the steamer for Saffi—a second Jaffa, as seen approaching from the sea—whose walls alone keep the superb surf from tumbling its creaming crests right into the streets of the town. The tombs of Mohammedan Saints are scattered all along the coast. These Saints' tombs are the most depressing-looking objects in nature, for they stand alone on lonely heights, whitewashed, domed, windowless, and mysterious. Sadi Wasman's tomb was the only one I saw that was not repelling; that was because it was placed on the top of Jebel Hadid (the Iron Mountain), 2,300 feet high. While my ship was engaged in taking in innumerable bags of dried peas and beans for the French market, I was interviewing those of the A. A. O. N. M. S. whom I could find. As I did not know, or know of, a soul in Saffi, it was not easy to find the first Noble. Such Arabic as I spoke was not current in Saffi, hence my simplest inquiries were of no avail. Finally, in a café, drinking coffee, and smoking a gold-mounted "hubble-bubble," I saw an Oriental gentleman who wore a seal ring, which I noticed, when he raised his cup, bore a Sphinx's head engraved. I placed myself near him, taking care to expose my Claws. When his eyes finally caught it, "a change came o'er the spirit of his dream," with the result that within ten minutes I was on the way to his house with him, under full converse. He stopped here and there, leaving messages, which, it seems, resulted in the assembling of about a dozen men on the terrace (roof) of his house, where, shielded from the sun by a red and blue canvas, we talked "Shrine" until the sun had gone down, and it was time for me to return to the ship.

Again I must not mention names. And I beg you will here let me

congratulate you upon the "happy thought" that incited the Imperial Council to give fictitious names to the Potentates of some of the Shrines in your published "List of Temples in the East."

I learned that the Saffi Temple, with a moving pedigree of 450 straight years (I say *moving* pedigree, because during the first two centuries from its charter, the conditions were such as to require it to live in tents, Bedouin-like), was now composed of about 500 Nobles, the larger numbers being dwellers in distant towns and districts. The number of Saffi Nobles was 165. The Shrine was "well off," with a cash balance in Marseilles banks of 800,000 francs. Before the last cholera outbreak they had 1,000,000 francs in the treasury. At the close of the same they had less than one-fifth of that amount!

We always speak of "cold" figures and "hard" facts, but if ever there were warmth and tenderness and elasticity in any earthly thing, they live and throb in the glowing figures that record that heavenly donation of 800,000 francs to relieve God's sick and dying children in Saffi.

This splendid charity of the Saffi Nobles had no limit: it descended, like dew from heaven, on Noble and ignoble, on Moslem and Christian alike. It was managed so quietly and skilfully that to this day the people praise the Government for that with which our glorious Shrine should really be credited.

The present G. P. is a young shipping merchant. The High Priest is his father, and the Treasurer is his grandfather! All are Moors. The Ill. Recorder was born of an English father and German mother, and is a fine linguist. The properties and costumes of the Temple are fitting, but in no wise superior. They have a pair of *flash torches*, however, that no money could buy because of their undoubted antiquity and moss-covered associations. It is firmly believed that those torches were once used in the palace of Young Hannibal in Carthage, centuries B. C., and the Nobles have (or believe they have) documentary proof of the ancient use and present age of those remarkable "century lighters." I regretted that short time prevented my seeing them, but I have been promised a photograph of them, which, upon receipt, I shall transmit to the Imperial Council.

The Saffi Nobles are satisfied with their condition and prospects. No further "report" of their Temple is, it strikes me, necessary.

To Mazagan from Saffi is usually a ten hours' steaming run, but owing to a dense fog I was eighteen hours at it. Mazagan looked white and compact as do all Moorish cities. It is a walled town, with one huge, square minaret rising from its exact centre. It looked like a fortress rather than a town, and was well calculated for defence. The most strangely beautiful surf in the world rolls in tremendous surges from

far out at sea up to the very walls of Mazagan. Stedman's poem called "Surf" describes the scene exactly:

"Splendors of morning the billow crests brighten,
Lighting and luring them on to the land—
Far away waves where the wan vessels whiten,
Blue rollers breaking in surf where we stand.
Curved like the necks of a legion of horses,
Each with his froth-gilded mane flowing free,
Hither they speed in perpetual courses,
Bearing thy riches, O beautiful sea!"

Mazagan has a stirring history. The Portuguese held it 268 years, until Sultan Muley Mohammad Ben Abdullah, a fighting dignitary in the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, sent an army of more than 100,000 men against it. Upon their approach the Portuguese blew up the town and 5,000 Moors. Since then the Moors have held it. Its walls are 30 feet broad and 20 feet high. Of its 4,000 inhabitants 900 are Jews. The Shrine has a small Temple in Mazagan, but not of any great repute. The meetings are frequent and rather slimly attended. I hear, however, that the Mazagan Nobles reserve their best efforts for times of anxiety and distress, and that *then* they do really good work.

Fifty miles by sea north of Mazagan lies the town of Casablanca (or the "White House"), with walls, battlements, and a couple of ugly minarets, all freshly whitewashed. Clean and white as the town looked from the sea, I found upon entering that it was the very opposite of a clean place. The streets were spotted with fetid pools of stagnant water and abominable filth. I wondered how 5,000 people could exist in health in such a town. In the cleanest part of Casablanca the Nobles—all Moors—have a meeting place. They number about 200. Strange to say, the Nobles of this town are chiefly military men—cavalry officers, with a small sprinkling of the wealthiest civilian element. An interesting incident occurred here. Just as I was leaving the town through the great gate on my return to the ship—it was about dusk—I saw two men on horses meet and stop. One was dusty and travel-stained; the other, fresh from cavalry practice. I was near enough to overhear the latter say, as he extended his hand to the other, "*Es Selamu Aleikum*," to which the other eagerly responded, "*Aleikum es Selaam*," and both made a certain sign with the right hand, and, therefore, I knew that our brotherhood had living existence in Casablanca, and that our expressive watchwords of greeting were used as tokens of friendship.

From Casablanca I went to Tangier. *Fendee el Serk*, of Barkook Temple, met me at the landing, and carried me off to his house, where I was fed upon the delicacies of this sunny country. Barkook is a flourishing Temple, in spite of the clandestine way its meetings are of necessity held. Fifty good men were added last year, and about the

same number were rejected. They had just finished celebrating the feast of *Dhu'l Hajja*, the most successful festa they had ever observed. Noble Fendee dilated at much length upon the flourishing state of the Order. The Tangier Nobles are well informed as to the Shrine's progress in the United States, expressing the usual amazement at your astounding growth. Noble Fendee thinks it probable he and two others may go over to America to observe how we conduct the Temples, within the next year or two. I assured him a welcome from any and every Noble he might meet. It was Fendee who secured the Moorish gun and flask for me that I afterward sent to you, and which, I learn, was presented to you in due and modern form, very numerously.

Tangier Temple is flourishing, and is founded on a solid basis. Fendee has a pair of Claws three and a half inches from point to point, with a big diamond at the joint, set in a most marvellously made filigree Sphinx head of pure gold.

TUNIS.

The Shrine in Tunis flourishes. In spite of the rule that obtains to admit only perfectly sound men—both sound of mind and body, and whose ancestors have clean records as regards the taint of insanity and foolishness—this Shrine was augmented last year by about three hundred new members. This may appear a falling off from the figures of former years, but the fact is that most of the desirable element in Tunis has already been acquired. Young men who are respectively reaching the right age are now the principal applicants, with a sprinkling of foreign (mostly French) blood.

This princely Shrine—Imperial among Shrines noted for great wealth and royal appointments, regal and superb in all things that go to elevate a Shrine into the very first rank of Shrines the world over—this Tunis Shrine is surely matchless and peerless, and, with perhaps one exception, unparalleled among Temples for the unsurpassed splendor of its work and the marvellous beauty of its robings and fittings. There is a dignity in the very magnitude of its halls and corridors that is in manifest accord with the pomp and gorgeousness of its exemplifications. In my report of May 6, 1885, I gave the Imperial Council a recital of the furnishings and appointments, so I shall not re-enumerate them now. Within the last year, however, the Shrine has largely rearmed itself by accumulating from all parts of the East a supply of Moorish guns, Turkish and Albanian swords and daggers, most of them curious, all of them richly mounted. One long Moorish gun has all its wood-work inlaid with rare stones in designs, and the ammunition flask that belongs with it is studded with gold-headed tacks instead of brass, as was the one I had the honor to present to Mecca Temple in New York. Apart from the difference in the metal, the Mecca flask is precisely like the superb one in the Tunis Shrine. The gun and flask were the property of a Moorish

Sheik, whose tribe dwelt in the Fezzan district in Northern Africa, and who, dying, left it open for his degenerate son to dispose of them for piasters, which was done. Fortunately, Schereef Hamet Ben Hassen—and may his day be like the stars in number—secured them for the Tunis Shrine.

Many of the weapons are ancient and unbeautiful, but have interesting associations for the Barbary Nobles. The Soudanese swords and spears are battle-scarred—often nicked at the butt to record an enemy slain. The Shrine has the most valuable Koran stand in the world. It is of solid gold, *hammered* into the usual saw-buck shape, its hinges studded with twelve pea-sized diamonds. It is in constant use at the meetings.

The red-velvet room (I have written you of this room before) of the Temple has been enriched by a circular row of unusually large and beautiful ostrich feathers, that are suspended from the round base of the dome that lights the chamber. They are the emblems of Truth, and hardy would be that man who, while sitting under their graceful waftings, should dare tell a lie in that noiseless room. Ex-Illustrious Imperial Potentate, the venerable and beloved Achmet-el-Makri, is still living, and graciously received me in his own house, which he now never leaves. Ninety-four years old, and seventy-one of those years an active and faithful Noble of our Order, is a goodly record. Infirm as he is, he listened with unaffected interest to my imperfect recital of the growth and success of the Shrine in America. As your Representative, Achmet bade me convey to you personally, and to the American Nobles collectively, the assurances of his distinguished consideration and warmest wishes. When I left him, probably now for the last time, he gave me an Oriental blessing, and gave me, too, that most eloquent and touching of Arab parting salutations, "*And may you never know grief.*"

The detailed excellence of the exemplification of Shrine work reaches its highest fulfilment in Tunis. It is simply perfect. Nor does the machine-like regularity and smoothness of the ceremonies affect adversely the requisite animation and impassioned heartiness so necessary to the finest accomplishment in Shrine observances. The entire work is harmonious. Dignity and vivacity, pomp and diversion, splendor and serenity, so dove-tail together throughout the rites that a brilliant mosaic of sound, action, and sight is the natural result.

SYRIA.

In Syria, the Yafa Shrine is, as I ventured to predict in my last report but one it would be, is once more a strong and healthy brotherhood. From the loss it suffered in the wreck of Shareef Mustapha Abderrahman, with the large sum of cash he was carrying to Constantinople to purchase a new and more elaborate regalia, the Shrine has now fully recovered. Her Nobles have shaken off the lethargy that their loss enveloped them in, so

that the present year finds them a strong, united, and enthusiastic body. As the Grand Rabban floridly expresses it: "*The Sun of Islam has once more covered our Altars with vessels of gold, and made our Minaret shine like a star from afar.*" One hundred worthy Syrians, and fifteen French and German born residents, were initiated into the Yafa Shrine in the past year. A new and larger Temple-building is greatly needed, and, as their membership increases and their exchequer enlarges, the desire and necessity of one will surely incite the Nobles to either erect or purchase something more suitable.

The Shrine in Smyrna is likewise at the high tide of industrious prosperity. The old unfortunate clashing has utterly ceased, and now, under the constitutional authority of the Shrine in Rhodes, the Smyrna Nobles flourish like the proverbial and deathless green bay tree. Smyrna, also, should have roomier quarters, and out of the abundance of her ample treasury they could easily be afforded. The Nobles there are staunch, sterling, cultivated men, with an ardent love for the Order deeply planted in their hearts. Not in many Eastern Temples—though they be richer in pocket and more numerous in membership—will be found handsomer or more appropriate regalia than that worn by the Shareef Sultani, Shareef al Emir, and Shareef al Iman of the robust little Smyrna Shrine. The best results are not obtained from these elegant robes and jewels, and they lose certain desirable effects, all on account of their inadequate and circumscribed chambering. Two score influential gentlemen were taken in from the outside desert last year, and added to the Noble list. It is, I have reason to believe, more difficult to gain membership in the Smyrna Shrine than in most Eastern Shrines. It is very exacting and particular. Both mentally, physically, morally, and even financially must the applicant be perfectly sound and desirable. By having lived strictly up to such requirements, the Smyrniote Nobles now form one of the most exclusive and select brotherhoods in the great round of the Mediterranean.

Aleppo Temple, too, maintains her well-earned enviable reputation among the Eastern Shrines. Good fortune befell her early last year, in that she came into the possession of a bequest of real estate valued well up into thousands of pounds sterling.

Beyrout is doing effective work. The membership shows an addition of about twenty Nobles during the year. Good men and true, all of them, it is to be hoped. Since the deceit practised on the Shareef al Miri and Shareef al Katib in 1878, this plucky little Beyrout Shrine has not only swept completely away the cruel and unrighteous stigma that clung to those unfortunate Shareefs, but it has, by united and persistent effort, put an end to half a score blood-feuds that threatened to exterminate several fiery but worthy people, who are now, thanks be to Allah, eager and excellent Shriners. Glory enough for one Shrine, say I, even if it had no other merit, but it *has* many; not the least being the timely, silent charity practised in times of bitter and pathetic disaster and oppression.

"In the name of the Merciful, the Compassionate" the Beyrout Nobles have made their Shrine the focus for all that is admirable in the greatest of virtues.

Of Saladin Temple in Damascus, it has so chanced, I have heard but little during the year, but that little was good. Portions of their older paraphernalia have been replaced by new, to bring it up to the level of the elegance of their 1887 acquirements. It will occupy forty skilful workers two years more, to complete the sumptuous rugs, which were the work of the most artistic designer in Syria, especially for this Temple. In the centre of the great crimson rug for the Altar chamber, a colossal Sphinx twelve feet in height is being worked, and around the edges will be inserted the emblematical crescents in the richest of colors with maroon shadings. The rug for the Bow-string space will have a sea-blue ground, with the legend *ROBUR ET FUROR* in large blood-red letters running through it. The rug at the inner entrance contains the *Es Selamu Aleikum* in ancient Syrian characters. From what I hear, the Damascus Shrine will be the most superbly carpeted of any Temple in the world. The rugs are so closely made and thick, that a park of artillery passing over them would be noiseless. With regalia and arms brought up to the standard of their rugs, the Damascus Nobles will have one of the most attractive Temples in the Order.

Akka Shrine reports are favorable. But for the wandering life led by many of the caravan-owning Nobles belonging to it, this Shrine would show larger attendances. There are no lack of spirit and devotion among them, and wherever they go they carry with them and live honestly up to the Arab Vow. Small but steadfast Shrines like Akka are sometimes the choicest and most restful Oases that the weary pilgrim finds in his caravan-tramps over the hot and illimitable sands. Allah cares for and blesses the smallest flower with even more tenderness than He bestows upon the tree-aspiring papyrus. *Bismillah!*

Dayr el Kamr Shrine suffered severely from the earthquake that overthrew many of the buildings and killed several of the members. Their priceless Urn—dating back into the prehistoric times—was destroyed, and their jewel-studded Altars mutilated beyond repair. Nevertheless, four well attended sessions were held during the year, and a resolution to overcome discouragement prevailed. I sent the Grand Potentate the fraternal sympathy of your Imperial Council, which he promptly acknowledged in sincerest terms.

ALGERIA.

The three Algerian Temples are in good heart. The rivalry you hear of as existing between them has no bitter qualities. It is purely friendly. It does not exist in the struggle for greater membership or for fuller coffers, but for sweet Charity's sake. Oran's list of helpful acts was so long and famous that Constantine was roused to make *her*

record of good deeds more expansive. And Algiers, not to be outdone, followed in the same golden footsteps. Such rivalry is, to my thinking, rather commendable than otherwise.

Our faithful brother Noble Moustapha Remsi Pasha has again been doing some good work for the general public by clearing out a band of desperate brigands, commanded by the noted Elia. His gendarmerie killed four of the brigands near Djoumi Bala, and three others near Drama, also taking three alive. These latter confessed to the capture of Messrs. Binder and Landler at Bellora and holding them for ransom. Twenty-seven members of the band have been either killed or caught within the last four months by Moustapha. In 1886 I had the pleasure of meeting Moustapha Pasha in the Cairo Shrine. On that occasion he had been presented with a sword with *Robur et Furor* burnt into the blade. It is said he never goes into battle without this sword, and that it has never failed to bring him out unhurt and victorious.

EGYPT.

Hussein Bey Husin, Shareef of the Cairo Temple, and Wakeel of the Minieh Mudereeyeh, of whose great good fortune I made mention in my report of June 30, 1886, has fulfilled the vow he made to give one-fifth of his winnings to his Shrine. Indeed, he did better than he promised, for, in addition to the 100,000 francs he handed in to the endowment fund (which fund, by the way, now reaches the princely sum of 7,450,000 francs, and is so well invested that it yields a safe four and one-half per cent. annual income, thus making the Cairo Shrine the third or possibly the second most largely endowed body of the Order in the East), he also presented to his Temple a yataghan of Damascus manufacture, which for grace in shape and exquisite finish throughout excels any similar Shrine weapon I have seen east of Gibraltar. Its estimated cost was 9,000 francs, and its market value would not be less, owing to the superior character of the jewels with which the hilt and scabbard are studded.

I was pained to learn that Cairo Temple had suffered the loss of two of its brightest and most highly honored Nobles on the same day, December 9, 1888, and was pleased to receive the following brief information of their history from the Grand Potentate:

His Excellency FERIK KOSROW PASHA died on Sunday morning of the above date, in Cairo, at an advanced age. The gallant deceased had held high command in the Egyptian Army, had been associated with Ibrahim Pasha in his campaigns, and had held high office at different times in Egypt. The funeral took place in the afternoon, and was attended by his Excellency Ismail Pasha Kamel, principal aide-de-camp to the Khedive, in behalf of His Highness, by the other members of the Military Household of His Highness, and by a number of officers,

the military honors due to the high rank of the deceased being rendered with punctilious care.

On the evening of the same date, at Cairo, His Excellency ISMAIL PASHA YOUSRI entered the Unseen Temple. He was on his way to the Ghezeereh promenade when he felt suddenly unwell and ordered his coachman to return home. He had hardly reached his house when he breathed his last, the cause of death being heart disease.

His late Excellency had held high office in the Egyptian Government, the most recent posts held by him having been those of native member of the Railway Administration, President of the Native Court of Appeal, and President of the Board of Health.

Ismail Pasha was an accomplished English scholar and had a large circle of English friends. His frank manner of expressing his opinion on matters of public interest was a feature in his character, but beneath his bluff manner there beat a kindly heart, and his loss will be mourned by many who regret to see the gradual disappearance from our midst of accomplished men who form the link between the Egypt of the past and the Egypt of our time.

At the last feast of Ramadan I was in Egypt as a spectator of the Shrine Ceremonies. Abderrahman Bey Sami, the Moodeer of Behera, had arrived in Alexandria by the morning express for the purpose of attending the meeting. Busy as Abderrahman is in his official duties he never fails to find time to take part in the regular conclaves. He is one of the best posted Shriners in Egypt. He said nothing delighted him more or caused him more wonderment than the Shrine's progress in the United States, and he added that he would give an ear to be able to visit the Nobles in America. I assured him of a warm welcome all over the States if he should make the pilgrimage. Abderrahman is a charming conversationalist and a deep student. He talks often in epigrams. Two of his sayings I recall: *The way to make friendships that will last long is to be long in making them.* And, *It is something to be good; but it is far better to be good for something.*

African Explorations has numbered another victim in the person of Gabriel Felix, a devoted Noble, the younger son of the famous tragedienne Rachel, who has just died at Brazzaville, on the Congo, in his forty-first year. Gabriel was the outcast of the somewhat irregular *ménage* which his mother divided with the Count de Walewski. As plain as his elder brother was handsome, he was from his birth regarded as an unwelcome addition to the family. When some one once asked Rachel what she thought her second son would be, she replied abruptly, "His brother's coachman." The father studiously avoided him. While he took steps to legitimize his elder son—now Count Alexander de Walewski, French Consul at Turin, he left Gabriel to work his way in the world under his mother's name. Gabriel Felix, however, proved himself a man. He became a very capable naval officer, and during

the Franco-German war fought with distinction as an officer in the army of the North, gaining the *croix d'honneur* for bravery in the field. His intelligent and devoted work on the Congo has been spoken of in the highest terms.

His tiger-claw Crescent and chain are deposited in the Shrine in which he was at one time the most efficient *Agn.*

Illustrious Treasurer of the Cairo Shrine, His Excellency Rear Admiral Privileggio Pasha, was married to Miss Margaret Cumbo in Archbishop Chicaro's Chapel, Alexandria, the day after I arrived in that port. I sent Noble Privileggio congratulations on the auspicious event in the name of the Nobles in America.

Privileggio told me a bit of interesting and rather startling news from Omdurman, which was to the effect that a man had appeared who claimed to be the Khalifa of Jesus Christ.

Now, Abdullah Taish, a Noble of one of the heart-of-Africa Shrines, most courteously offered to submit their rival claims to the decision of a commission, which he carefully packed with some of his most reliable adherents.

As might have been expected, the commission decided in favor of Abdullah Taish's claims, who forthwith had his unwary rival's head cut off, and to prevent any chance of a resurrection, he had the head buried in one part of the town and the trunk in another. How different we do those things in the Western Hemisphere!

Of course, we well know that incidents of this kind tend to keep up the old prejudice that so many Western people hold against their Eastern brothers, and charge the commission of such acts to their religion. As well might a Moslem assert that an American lynching was the direct offshoot of Christianity. "We," writes a broad-minded and charitable Christian, "who live among Mussulmans have no need to be informed that the profession of the Moslem faith is consistent with integrity of character, purity of morals, and appreciation of the civilizing influence of literature, science, and art; but many people at home are lamentably ignorant of the real progress which has been made in Mohammedan countries within the last generation." Canon Taylor of the Church of England, who has carefully studied the religious tendencies in Egypt and elsewhere, asserts that no nation can hope to attain power in the East which does not proclaim its belief in God and which appears ashamed of its Religion. It may be a force, but it will never be a power. Islam deserves the gratitude of the world for the unflinching, persistent declaration of Belief in God, in the Resurrection, and the Judgment to come.

Pray pardon this digression, but it was incited by a letter which I recently received from a dear friend in America, who asked me how I could bear to belong to an order whose brotherhood embraced those bitter

enemies of Christianity! My only answer was to quote Longfellow's verse:

"Turn, turn, my wheel! The human race,
Of every tongue, of every place,
Caucasian, Coptic, or Malay,
All that inhabit this great earth,
Whatever be their rank or worth,
Are kindred and allied by birth,
And made of the same clay."

Had I arrived at Suez one day earlier I should have met, with his suite of twenty-two persons, the newly chosen Grand Potentate of the Benares Shrine, His Highness Prince Khoorsheed Kader Synd Iscander Ali Meerza Bahadoor, son of His Highness the late Nawab Nazim of Bengal, who has likewise served the Order as Grand Potentate. His Illustrious Highness was in company with his devout mother on a pilgrimage to the Holy Places of Islam. The Kurrachee Shrine has recently refurnished its Temple with a stationary set of seats made of Benares brass, with tall Gothic backs, hammered work, said to be the most unique and beautiful settings possessed by any Shrine. The cost was almost fabulous, but they will endure till the last trump is sounded.

It may be of interest to the American Nobles to know the names and title of some of the most distinguished Nobles in Africa.

King John, of Abyssinia, known in his own and adjoining territories as *His Majesty the Negoosa Negust*, is a Shriner since boyhood.

Ras Hailoo Marian, Governor of the Province of Wadela, is the Ill. G. P. of his Shrine. He is a nephew of the King.

Ras Aria Selassie, the King's son, is a soldier and commands the main body of the King's army. The last Shrine office he held corresponds with our Oriental Guide.

Wakshem Gabru, the most powerful chief in all the Empire and Governor of the Province of Begemder, is the H. G. P. of the Shrine at Dobra Tabor, the King's favorite place of residence. Two men only in Abyssinia may bear the title of Wakshem, and they are Wakshem Gabru and Wakshem Boru. They are superior to any Ras, and when at court always sit with the King and eat at his table, an honor not granted to any Ras or Dejat.

Negoos Tekla Haimanot, King of Gojam, a dashing and valiant soldier, is an eager Shriner, and was proud to carry the tri-plumed, gem-sprinkled ostrich feathers of Truth at the Moharrum festivals before his accession.

King John is a Christian, and not very long ago he stood sponsor for Ras Michael, an old man and a mighty chieftain, who, originally a Mussulman, renounced his religion in favor of Christianity. Both as Moham-medan and Christian, Ras Michael is a loyal and devoted Noble, and has willed that he shall be buried by the Order. So Biblically oriental is the following incident, published in an Egyptian journal, that I cannot forbear inserting it here:

"It is reported that, after the Dervishes were beaten by the Abyssinians at Fakka, Nedjoomee sent two bullock hides filled with sand, together with a letter addressed to Abdallah El Tahashi, at Omdurman, in which he stated that the Abyssinians had as many men to dispose of as there were grains of sand in the bullock hides."

Another distinguished Eastern Noble is General Hadji Mirza Nedjef Aly Khan, Agent and Consul General in Egypt for the Shah of Persia.

The interesting and peculiar old custom still obtains in many parts of the East of using one's seal on a document or letter, instead of a written signature. Business men in the Cairo bazaars press their seal in wax on their most important papers. These seals when first adopted are, like trademarks, officially recorded, and it becomes a crime of forgery to imitate them. Their impress is as sacred and binding as their written signatures would be. I am in the receipt of occasional letters from Shrine officials signed only by the seal-ring draft of their Arabic cognomen. To counterfeit an Arab's seal brings severe punishment on the head of the counterfeiter. The importance of keeping the integrity of each man's seal intact is apparent where there are so many merchants who are unlettered—men who, though unlettered, are excellent business men, with the gift of memory developed to the highest degree, and with recollections never at fault.

I beg to suggest that it would be an appropriate thing for the Potentates and Records of each American Temple to possess and use in all Shrine matters a seal-ring with their names engraved in Arabic characters.

I would be most willing to furnish to any American Noble desiring it, his name written in Arabic on paper, which he might then have easily duplicated by an engraver on a seal. The engraving can be much better done in America or England than in Egypt.

It was not through neglect, but through the miscarriage of a parchment from Cairo, officially announcing the event to me at the time, that I did not inform your Imperial Council of the death of H. E. Khadri Pasha, formerly Minister of Justice, which took place at Cairo at a recent date. Noble Kadri was eighty years of age, sixty years of which were spent in sincerest devotion to the Shrine. His Highness the Khedive gave orders that the honors due to the excellent position of the deceased should be rendered, consequently the funeral was celebrated with great pomp, and was attended by vast crowds. Among those present I noticed (says my correspondent) their Excellencies the Ministers, the Grand Cadi, many of the high officials of the Government, and crowds of native Notables, and very many Nobles.

The mournful cortége was partially composed of six camels laden with bread, dates, etc., for distribution among the crowds of poor natives along the line of route; a detachment of Egyptian mounted police; a

detachment of foot police; members of the Civil and Military Households of His Highness; civil and military officials of the Government; the officials of the Daira, etc.

The coffin, covered with a magnificent Cashmere shawl, and carried shoulder high by men (substitute bearers for the chosen of the A. A. O. N. M. S.), was preceded by the singers and incense bearers.

The Temple Altars were draped in mourning for twenty-one days, and the Shrine brothers wore bits of thin crape over their Crescent Claws. Khadri Pasha leaves behind him a high reputation for integrity and usefulness, and his death is a real loss to the country. Not even his own relatives loved him more or will mourn him more sincerely than his brothers of the Noble Order.

During my last visitation in Egypt I happened to be in Cairo on the first day of the fifth month, *i. e. Jamaz ul Awwal*, Arabic reckoning, or January 3 of the Christian calendar, and, together with seven brother Nobles, set out from Shepheard's Hotel, in two carriages, preceded by running *sais*, and drove to the Pyramids. It seems the body of the Sphinx was entirely uncovered of sand, and my friends were anxious that I should see it in its full entirety, which might not be possible later on when the drifting sands should repeat their eternal burial process.

It is an endless job to keep this gigantic "Old Watchful," as the Bedouins call the Sphinx, divested of sand, but it happened to be clear on January 3, and I then for the first time viewed the monster's lioness-like body wholly and in detail, walking entirely around it, and even creeping into the little temple between its outstretched fore-paws. As a spectacle, the Sphinx is less impressive with her body exposed in representation of an animal, than when, with body buried under her golden quilt, only her neck and head rose out of the sands, her stony eyes looking straight, unflinchingly, and everlastingly into the sunrise. Her head and expression are poetry, history, time, eternity *concentrated*—a sublime epic writ in stone. But put a body under that glorious head, and the whole thing seems to me to lose that powerful sentiment of mystery that makes it at once the most majestic and the most powerful emblem man ever conceived or executed. Now, I am only mentioning the incident of my visiting the Sphinx at that time for the purpose of adding that, actuated by a sentimentalism, I brought away a lot of the fine golden desert sand that had drifted into a hollow spot on the shoulder of the Great Mystery. My brother Nobles were, I know, amused, but were too polite to show their merriment, at my desire to carry away *sand*, but, all the same, they gravely filled their handkerchiefs for me, with the result that I must have brought away a gallon or two of the "hot" stuff. This desert sand is really beautiful in itself, although vast oceans of it make it as common as sunshine; but I thought to fetch some that had lain on the back of the veritable Sphinx might give it an interest, if not a charm, that would make it prized a little in far away America.

Well, after bringing the sand to Malta, I had a few little bags made, holding about a gill each, and filled them with the glinting atoms. And I have this to say, if there are any Potentates of American Temples who are sentimental enough to really care to have a bag of Libyan Desert sand, sand too that I declare in all honor and truth I got from the Sphinx itself, I shall be glad to send them one. I only ask that the expense of postage (if it can be sent by post) shall be sent me.

In bringing this report to a close, I beg to repeat—for the information of the thousands of new Nobles who have entered the mystic circle during the last two years—an explanatory paragraph that was contained in my Annual Report of 1887, and published in the same year's Proceedings by your Imperial Council:

It has been for simplicity's sake, and because their objects and aims are of similar import, that I have always spoken of the different branches of our Order as the "Mystic Shrine." Do not let this mislead any American Noble. If he has read the history of the Order thoroughly, he will be informed of the fact that the *Bektash* (as it is known in all the prominent cities of Oriental Europe) is only another title for the Shrine. The "Crescent Shrine," the "Order of the Crescent," the "Sanctuaries of the Crescent," the "Moslem Shrine," the "Islam Sanctuaries," the "Holies of the Kaaba," the "Crypts," the "Cloisters of Islam," the "Secret Vaults of the Crescent," the "Legendary Chambers of the Arabic Shrine," the "Sanctuaries of the Prophets," the "Sanctuaries of the Shareefs," etc., are all but bits of mosaic that go to make up the jewelled grand dome of our all-covering A. A. O. N. M. S. In the classic Isles of Greece one never finds a "Shrine," but the "Bektash." We, in America, call ourselves "Nobles of the Mystic Shrine," and with perfect propriety; but, after all, that title is an Americanized one. National custom has established local titles, *and all are authentic*. The "Arab vow" breathes the same well-nigh holy spirit in all Shrines, whatsoever their designations. As the "Imperial" Fleming has said, "We pay homage to all learning, whether the occult of India or the fascinating legendary lore of the Orient. All leads to the one great theme, *the Oriental Shrine*."

Again, O Illustrious Imperial Potentate! I say to you, *Es Selamu Aleikum*, and in the name of the Merciful, the Compassionate, I salute you.

May you never know grief!

Faithfully Yours,

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JOHN WORTHINGTON,

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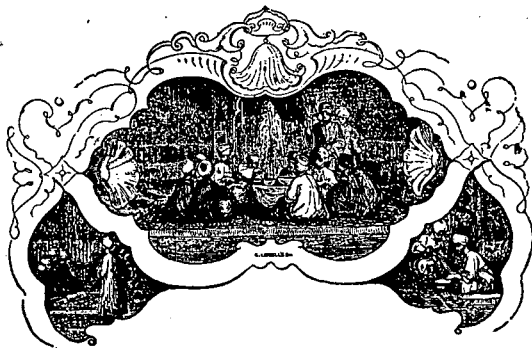
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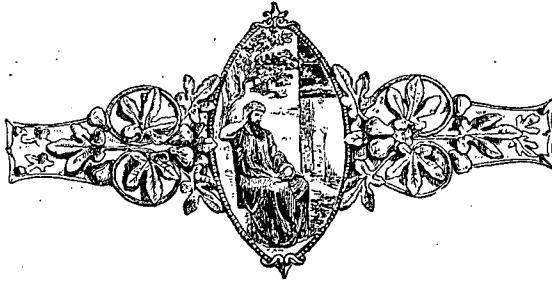
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TEMPLES UNDER THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL,

JUNE 17, 1889.

OFFICERS FOR 1889.

1.—ABDALLAH TEMPLE, LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS.

Chester B. Gunn (411 Delaware St.)	Acting Potentate.
W. A. Doughty	Chief Rabban.
E. W. Snyder	Assistant Rabban.
Edward W. Osgood	High Priest.
Chester B. Gunn	Oriental Guide.
Carl Hoffman	Treasurer.
Dwight Byington (418 Pine St.)	Recorder.
William B. Fletcher	First Cer. Master.
Edward Jobson	Second Cer. Master.
Frank S. Hastings	Director.
H. C. F. Hackbush	Marshal.
Thomas E. Conklin	Captain of Guard.
Rudolph Jost	Outer Guard.

Founded March 28, 1887.—Number of Members, 80.

2.—ACCA TEMPLE, RICHMOND, VA.

Louis P. Ecker (P. O. Box 333)	Potentate.
W. Fred Pleasants	Chief Rabban.
George L. Street	Assistant Rabban.
John F. Mayer	High Priest.
Arthur L. Pleasants	Oriental Guide.
John W. Otley	Treasurer.
William Ellis Jones (5 South 12th St.)	Recorder.
H. F. W. Southern	First Cer. Master.
J. W. Swaim	Second Cer. Master.
Frank W. Cunningham	Director.
Jonas F. Welcome	Marshal.
G. W. Rady	Captain of Guard.
Junius A. Cosby	Outer Guard.

Founded June 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 97.

3.—AFIFI TEMPLE, TACOMA, WASHINGTON.

Frank B. Gault (Tacoma, Washington).....	Potentate.
Elijah M. Beatty.....	Chief Rabban.
Walter J. Thompson.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles N. Daniels.....	High Priest.
Samuel C. Milligan.....	Oriental Guide.
Henry Drum.....	Treasurer.
William J. Meade.....	Recorder.
Allen C. Mason.....	First Cer. Master.
William G. Rowland.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward R. Hare.....	Director.
William W. Sly.....	Marshal.
Edmund T. Durgin.....	Captain of Guard.
Mina Brotton.....	Outer Guard.

Founded August 1, 1888.—Number of Members, 55.

4.—ALEPPO TEMPLE, BOSTON, MASS.

Henry E. Hosley (577 Dorchester Ave., South Boston).....	Potentate.
James A. Fox.....	Chief Rabban.
Andrew Bunton.....	Assistant Rabban.
Leonard M. Averell.....	High Priest.
George H. Allen.....	Oriental Guide.
Harry P. Stearns.....	Treasurer.
Benjamin W. Rowell (44 Kilby St.).....	Recorder.
Alvah H. Warner.....	First Cer. Master.
Byron F. Horne.....	Second Cer. Master.
Frank Locke.....	Director.
George S. Carpenter.....	Marshal.
Levi S. Hathaway.....	Captain of Guard.
Alexander K. Bryer.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 23, 1882.—Number of Members, 704.

5.—ALGERIA TEMPLE, HELENA, MONTANA.

William N. Baldwin (P. O. Box 302).....	Potentate.
John C. Major.....	Chief Rabban.
Cornelius B. Nolan.....	Assistant Rabban.
Frank W. McConnell.....	High Priest.
Edward D. Neill, Jr.....	Oriental Guide.
Theodore H. Kleinschmidt.....	Treasurer.
George Booker (P. O. Box 333).....	Recorder.
William D. Smith.....	First Cer. Master.
Cornelius Hedges.....	Second Cer. Master.
Arthur C. Logan.....	Director.
Henry M. Parchen.....	Marshal.
Andrew B. Cook.....	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin W. S. Folk.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 23, 1888.—Number of Members, 69.

6.—AL KADER TEMPLE, PORTLAND, OREGON.

Irving W. Pratt (69 South First St.).....	Potentate.
Ferdinand N. Shurtleff.....	Chief Rabban.
Joseph W. Hill.....	Assistant Rabban.
Phillip S. Malcolm.....	High Priest.
Douglas W. Taylor.....	Oriental Guide.
John R. Foster.....	Treasurer.
Benjamin G. Whitehouse (100 Third St.).....	Recorder.
Daniel McKercher.....	First Cer. Master.
Andrew Roberts.....	Second Cer. Master.
Eugene D. White.....	Marshal.
James O. Spencer.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles E. Sitton.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 3, 1888.—Number of Members, 46.

7.—AL KORAN TEMPLE, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Sam. Briggs (48 Cedar Ave.).....	Potentate.
Moses G. Carrell.....	Chief Rabban.
Arthur B. Foster.....	Assistant Rabban.
Frank Wright.....	High Priest.
William E. Thurber.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles Wesley.....	Treasurer.
Horace W. Hubbard (226 Bank St.).....	Recorder.
Charles F. Spencer.....	First Cer. Master.
William W. Furry.....	Second Cer. Master.
Horace W. Hubbard.....	Director.
James T. Sargent.....	Marshal.
John W. Gibbons.....	Captain of Guard.
Theodore Elmendorf.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 16, 1876.—Number of Members, 349.

8.—AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Marvin R. Higgins (P. O. Box 1565).....	Potentate.
Trowbridge H. Ward.....	Chief Rabban.
George Gillson.....	Assistant Rabban.
James R. Dupuy.....	High Priest.
Hervey Lindley.....	Oriental Guide.
Levi H. Whitson.....	Treasurer.
Juan F. Bandholt (P. O. Box 759).....	Recorder.
W. B. Scarborough.....	First Cer. Master.
R. R. Brown.....	Second Cer. Master.
Freeman G. Teed.....	Director.
John C. Haskell.....	Marshal.
Gordan M. Stolp.....	Captain of Guard.
John H. McIlmoil.....	Outer Guard.

Founded February 6, 1888.—Number of Members, 55.

9.—ALMAS TEMPLE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

George H. Walker (1427 F St. N. W.)	Potentate.
Emmett C. Elmore	Chief Rabban.
Samuel J. Haislett	Assistant Rabban.
Clement W. Bennett	High Priest.
Frederick G. Alexander	Oriental Guide.
Abner T. Longley	Treasurer.
H. Harvey Hazard (National Savings Bank)	Recorder.
David G. Dixon	First Cer. Master.
Isaac D. Laferty	Second Cer. Master.
T. John Newton	Director.
Augustus B. Coolidge	Marshal.
Harry B. Major	Captain of Guard.
William S. Ballard	Outer Guard.

Founded January 7, 1886.—Number of Members, 131.

10.—ARARAT TEMPLE, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Ethelbert F. Allen (34 Beals Building)	Potentate.
Charles A. Peake	Chief Rabban.
Bryson L. McClain	Assistant Rabban.
Charles S. Owsley	High Priest.
Thomas R. Morrow	Oriental Guide.
William P. Moores	Treasurer.
A. Watson Rebman (34 Beals Building)	Recorder.
David E. Gurney	First Cer. Master.
Virgil H. Hewes	Second Cer. Master.
Stephen D. Thacher	Director.
Charles A. Hibbard	Marshal.
S. L. C. Hasson	Captain of Guard.
Charles P. Baldwin	Outer Guard.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 109.

11.—BALLUT ABYAD TEMPLE, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

John L. Andrews	Acting Potentate.
John L. Andrews	Chief Rabban.
Charles H. Woodworth	Assistant Rabban.
Arthur Everitt	High Priest.
Fredrick H. Kent	Oriental Guide.
Almarion M. Codington	Treasurer.
Alexander Stevens (P. O. Box 103)	Recorder.
William H. Whiteman	First Cer. Master.
Matthew W. Flourney	Second Cer. Master.
Fredrick A. Cimarán	Director.
Elias S. Stover	Marshal.
Eugene W. Spencer	Captain of Guard.
Alexander M. Whitcomb	Outer Guard.

Founded June 11, 1887.—Number of Members, 28.

12.—BOUMI TEMPLE, BALTIMORE, MD.

William C. Nickum (915 Fort Ave.)	Potentate.
James P. Clark	Chief Rabban.
Richard H. Conway	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob Likes	High Priest.
Henry O. Reese	Oriental Guide.
William H. Kleinsmith	Treasurer.
David F. Penington (20 W. Lexington St.)	Recorder.
Mark A. J. Clift	First Cer. Master.
Samuel W. Regester	Second Cer. Master.
George W. Starr	Director.
John B. Kurtz	Marshal.
J. W. Guest	Captain of Guard.
Washington H. Nicholson	Outer Guard.

Founded March 31, 1884.—Number of Members, 202.

13.—CYPRUS TEMPLE, ALBANY, N. Y.

Thomas J. Bishop (Greenbush Heights, Rensselaer Co.)	Potentate.
Charles H. Armatage	Chief Rabban.
William W. Grey	Assistant Rabban.
William H. Peckham	High Priest.
John L. Godley	Oriental Guide.
Erasmus D. Jones	Treasurer.
William E. Fitch (328 South Pearl St.)	Recorder.
Henry W. Young	First Cer. Master.
Thomas H. Dennary	Second Cer. Master.
James H. Kelly	Director.
Edwy L. Taylor	Marshal.
George T. Stoneman	Captain of Guard.
William H. Gladding	Outer Guard.

Founded February 2, 1877.—Number of Members, 101.

14.—DAMASCUS TEMPLE, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

George F. Loder (Rochester, N. Y.)	Potentate.
William H. Whiting	Chief Rabban.
Sidney C. McKaye	Assistant Rabban.
Samuel C. Pierce	High Priest.
Burton H. Davy	Oriental Guide.
Edward Schaefer	Treasurer.
Charles M. Steel (34 Court St.)	Recorder.
Harry B. James	First Cer. Master.
Conrad Eckhardt	Second Cer. Master.
Samuel R. Carter	Director.
Edward C. Way	Marshal.
John M. Aiken	Captain of Guard.
William H. Davenport	Outer Guard.

Founded January 4, 1875.—Number of Members, 280.

15.—EL JEBEL TEMPLE, DENVER, COLO.

Albert B. McGaffey (1658 Lawrence St.).....	Potentate.
Mortimer J. Lawrence.....	Chief Rabban.
H. C. Frost.....	Assistant Rabban.
Webster D. Anthony.....	High Priest.
Sidney A. Shepperd.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles A. Raymond.....	Treasurer.
Frank J. Hard (P. O. Box 1906).....	Recorder.
William R. Harp.....	First Cer. Master.
James P. Maxwell.....	Second Cer. Master.
Silas W. Chaney.....	Marshal.
Frank E. Edbrooke.....	Captain of Guard.
Thomas Linton.....	Outer Guard.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 253.

16.—EL KAHIR TEMPLE, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

Cyrus W. Eaton (48 First Ave.).....	Potentate.
Edward I. Foster.....	Chief Rabban.
Calvin G. Greene.....	Assistant Rabban.
James Morton.....	High Priest.
Upton C. Blake.....	Oriental Guide.
James L. Bever.....	Treasurer.
George W. Bever (City National Bank).....	Recorder.
John B. Bever.....	First. Cer. Master.
Charles H. French.....	Second Cer. Master.
Robert J. Wollett.....	Director.
William Flanagan.....	Marshal.
Marvin J. Gates.....	Captain of Guard.
Zelotes Farr.....	Outer Guard.

Founded February 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 219.

17.—EL RIAD TEMPLE, SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA.

William D. Stites (Sioux Falls, South Dakota).....	Potentate.
Alfred B. Kittridge.....	Chief Rabban.
Dwight C. Rice.....	Assistant Rabban.
Curtis H. Winsor.....	High Priest.
George W. Burnside.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles H. Vincent.....	Treasurer.
Nyrum E. Phillips (Sioux Falls, South Dakota).....	Recorder.
Frank S. Emerson.....	First Cer. Master.
William R. Burkholder.....	Second Cer. Master.
James E. Conklin.....	Director.
Benjamin F. Campbell.....	Marshal.
Henry T. Corson.....	Captain of Guard.
Pickering Brown.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 2, 1888.—Number of Members, 59.

18.—HELLA TEMPLE, DALLAS, TEXAS.

Lawrence M. Knepfly (616 Main St.)	Potentate.
Henry M. Spaulding	Chief Rabban.
Stephen E. Moss	Assistant Rabban.
S. B. Haggart	High Priest.
George H. Green	Oriental Guide.
E. M. Reardon	Treasurer.
Neal Starke (Commerce and Akard Sts.)	Recorder.
H. F. Burt	First Cer. Master.
James Orr	Second Cer. Master.
H. A. McDonald	Marshal.
E. J. Fry	Captain of Guard.
S. W. Summers	Outer Guard.

Founded May 31, 1887.—Number of Members, 86.

19.—ISIS TEMPLE, SALINA, KANSAS.

Edward C. Culp (Salina, Kansas)	Potentate.
Harper S. Cunningham	Chief Rabban.
Smith M. Palmer	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob DeWitt	High Priest.
Thomas L. Bond	Oriental Guide.
Oscar Seitz	Treasurer.
Robert E. Nickles (Salina, Kansas)	Recorder.
Adam Kemper	First Cer. Master.
John Anderson	Second Cer. Master.
Charles A. Hiller	Director.
Frank Ferlen	Marshal.
Leroy O. Wight	Captain of Guard.
Freeman Kingman	Outer Guard.

Founded March 30, 1887.—Number of Members, 158.

20.—ISLAM TEMPLE, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Franklin H. Day (P. O. Box 1534)	Potentate.
Charles L. Field	Chief Rabban.
Hiram T. Graves	Assistant Rabban.
Brilsford P. Flint	High Priest.
Charles L. Patton	Oriental Guide.
Edward H. Hanson	Treasurer.
Victor D. Duboce (34 Steuart St.)	Recorder.
G. Howard Thompson	First Cer. Master.
Cortland S. Benedict	Second Cer. Master.
John H. Gray	Director.
Henry Edwards	Marshal.
William H. Smith	Captain of Guard.
Robert H. Mowbray	Outer Guard.

Founded March 6, 1883.—Number of Members, 215.

21.—ISMAILIA TEMPLE, BUFFALO, N. Y.

Charles W. Cushman (37 Chapin Block).....	Potentate.
Frank T. Gilbert.....	Chief Rabban.
George L. Brown.....	Assistant Rabban.
John L. Brothers.....	High Priest.
Henry Smith, 2d.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Bishop.....	Treasurer.
George L. Kingston (Room 17, Law Exchange).....	Recorder.
William S. Wicks.....	First Cer. Master.
Frank M. Fisher, 2d.....	Second Cer. Master.
Horace A. Noble.....	Director.
James W. Tift.....	Marshal.
James A. Given.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles R. Dunning.....	Outer Guard.
Founded November 5, 1887.—Number of Members, 129.	

22.—JERUSALEM TEMPLE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Charles F. Buck (P. O. Box 81).....	Potentate.
William T. Benedict.....	Chief Rabban.
David R. Graham.....	Assistant Rabban.
Richard T. Slocomb.....	High Priest.
John H. Clarke.....	Oriental Guide.
Arthur W. Hyatt.....	Treasurer.
Richard Lambert (P. O. Drawer 872).....	Recorder.
George Soulé.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles E. Kells.....	Second Cer. Master.
Samuel Alston.....	Director.
J. J. McGinnis.....	Marshal.
John S. Alfred.....	Captain of Guard.
John W. Madden.....	Outer Guard.
Founded March 30, 1885.—Number of Members, 42.	

23.—KAABA TEMPLE, DAVENPORT, IOWA.

Lewis P. Dosh (Davenport, Iowa).....	Potentate.
Joseph N. Fortney.....	Chief Rabban.
Clark L. Richards.....	Assistant Rabban.
George M. Cook.....	High Priest.
Charles B. Read.....	Oriental Guide.
Frank S. Hastings.....	Treasurer.
Cornelius J. Brown (306 E. Eighth St.).....	Recorder.
Frederick W. Lerch.....	First Cer. Master.
John N. Davis.....	Second Cer. Master.
Jarvis White.....	Director.
Thomas Murray.....	Marshal.
William F. Zimmerman.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles H. Reupke.....	Outer Guard.
Founded (as Pyramid Temple) July 1, 1878.—Number of Members, 52.	

24.—KISMET TEMPLE, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Wayland Trask (18 Wall St., New York, N. Y.)	Potentate.
Nathan W. Josselyn	Chief Rabban.
Edwin Knowles	Assistant Rabban.
John W. Richardson	High Priest.
Edwin D. Washburn	Oriental Guide.
Mark Mayer	Treasurer.
Sydney F. Walker (P. O. Box 2032, New York, N. Y.)	Recorder.
Orlando Bennett	First Cer. Master.
John McGeehan	Second Cer. Master.
George A. Rowell	Director.
Marion Grimes	Marshal.
Edward H. Quantin	Captain of Guard.
Godfrey Lincks	Outer Guard.

Founded July 2, 1887.—Number of Members, 171.

25.—KOSAIR TEMPLE, LOUISVILLE, KY.

William Ryan (610 E. Broadway)	Potentate.
John A. Stratton	Chief Rabban.
Charles A. Graham	Assistant Rabban.
R. H. Thompson	High Priest.
Charles C. Vogt	Oriental Guide.
John Finzer	Treasurer.
Will E. Ryan (610 E. Broadway)	Recorder.
John F. Lewis	First Cer. Master.
Richard H. Higgins	Second Cer. Master.
M. Cary Peter	Director.
W. L. Lyons	Marshal.
E. C. Pearson	Captain of Guard.
George F. Evans	Outer Guard.

Founded November 3, 1884.—Number of Members, 132.

26.—LU LU TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Joseph S. Wright (704 Market St.)	Potentate.
Ezra S. Bartlett	Chief Rabban.
Edward B. Spencer	Assistant Rabban.
Charles Laing	High Priest.
Philip C. Shaffer	Oriental Guide.
Michael F. Benerman	Treasurer.
Charles Cary (417 Walnut St.)	Recorder.
John A. S. Heath	First Cer. Master.
Jacob S. De Beust	Second Cer. Master.
Edward B. Jordan	Director.
Jacob L. Brallier	Marshal.
Alexander McCune	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin K. Paullin	Outer Guard.

Founded December 31, 1883.—Number of Members, 912.

27.—MECCA TEMPLE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Augustus W. Peters (60 Broadway).....	Potentate.
Edward S. Innet.....	Chief Rabban.
Philip C. Benjamin.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles H. Heyzer.....	High Priest.
Robert P. Lyon.....	Oriental Guide.
George W. Millar.....	Treasurer.
William S. Paterson (100 Reade St.).....	Recorder.
James V. Kirby.....	First Cer. Master.
Edgar M. Ayers.....	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph B. Eakins.....	Director.
George H. Wyatt.....	Marshal.
Valentine Hammann.....	Captain of Guard.
Stephen W. Swift.....	Outer Guard.

Founded September 26, 1872.—Number of Members, 1239.

28.—MEDINAH TEMPLE, CHICAGO, ILL.

John A. May (116 Dearborn St.).....	Potentate.
William A. Stiles.....	Chief Rabban.
William M. Knight.....	Assistant Rabban.
Lloyd D. Richardson.....	High Priest.
Thomas H. Currier.....	Oriental Guide.
James S. Carter.....	Treasurer.
Frank M. Luce (Room 609, 59 Dearborn St.).....	Recorder.
Robert M. Johnson.....	First Cer. Master.
John E. Norton.....	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas C. Penington.....	Director.
Charles K. Herrick.....	Marshal.
George D. Eddy.....	Captain of Guard.
Archibald McLellan.....	Outer Guard.

Founded October 30, 1882.—Number of Members, 812.

29.—MOILA TEMPLE, ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Walter J. Hilton (111 North 2d St.).....	Potentate.
John D. Richardson, Jr.....	Chief Rabban.
James H. McCord.....	Assistant Rabban.
Maurice W. Steiner.....	High Priest.
William B. McNutt.....	Oriental Guide.
Ewald Padberg.....	Treasurer.
William A. Lord (P. O. Drawer 55).....	Recorder.
Hathan G. Getchell.....	First Cer. Master.
William M. Shepherd.....	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph S. Browne.....	Director.
Thomas F. Indermill.....	Marshal.
William G. Hall.....	Captain of Guard.
Henry G. Buckingham.....	Outer Guard.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 56.

30.—MOOLAH TEMPLE, ST. LOUIS, MO.

Benjamin F. Nelson (Odd Fellows' Building).	Potentate.
A. H. Wallis.	Chief Rabban.
Gus. V. R. Mechin.	Assistant Rabban.
William Walsh.	High Priest.
Frank B. Filley.	Oriental Guide.
Elisha B. Overstreet.	Treasurer.
William H. Mayo (Masonic Hall).	Recorder.
Gus. W. Niemann.	First Cer. Master.
George S. Parker.	Second Cer. Master.
James F. Ewing.	Director.
Hiram H. Steibel.	Marshal.
Harry T. Jones.	Captain of Guard.
John W. Owen.	Outer Guard.

Founded April 26, 1886.—Number of Members, 179.

31.—MOROCCO TEMPLE, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA.

Charles H. Mallett (88 Laura St.).	Potentate.
Olin S. Wright.	Chief Rabban.
John H. Stephens.	Assistant Rabban.
William A. McLean.	High Priest.
Thomas S. Wilmarth.	Oriental Guide.
Otis L. Keene.	Treasurer.
Henry S. Ely (Jacksonville, Fla.).	Recorder.
Henry C. Crosthwaite.	First Cer. Master.
Clayton D. Vanaman.	Second Cer. Master.
Thaddeus M. Chapman.	Director.
Ward H. York.	Marshal.
William A. Dunn.	Captain of Guard.
Robert G. Brown.	Outer Guard.

Founded March 28, 1888.—Number of Members, 15.

32.—MOSLEM TEMPLE, DETROIT, MICH.

Marvin H. Chamberlain (60 Jefferson Ave.).	Potentate.
Bruce Goodfellow.	Chief Rabban.
Frederick J. Bailey.	Assistant Rabban.
Lou Burt.	High Priest.
S. O. Johnson.	Oriental Guide.
Benjamin F. Haxton.	Treasurer.
William M. Bailey (29 Miami Ave.).	Recorder.
E. R. Harris.	First Cer. Master.
J. M. Brown.	Second Cer. Master.
W. H. Ellis.	Marshal.
Joseph Mayworm.	Captain of Guard.
A. J. Arnold.	Outer Guard.

Founded June 2, 1880.—Number of Members, 306.

33.—MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, MONTPELIER, VT.

William A. Briggs (Montpelier, Vt.).....	Potentate.
George L. Lane.....	Chief Rabban.
James E. Curran.....	Assistant Rabban.
Collins Blakely.....	High Priest.
Norman W. Frink.....	Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom.....	Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton (Montpelier, Vt.).....	Recorder.
Charles A. Barnard.....	First Cer. Master.
James T. Sabin.....	Second Cer. Master.
James A. Erwin.....	Director.
Arch Batchelder.....	Marshal.
Charles A. Fuller.....	Captain of Guard.
Edwin R. Morse.....	Outer Guard.

Founded October 31, 1876.—Number of Members, 146.

34.—MURAT TEMPLE, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

John T. Brush (Room 30, When Block).....	Potentate.
Chester Bradford.....	Chief Rabban.
Chalmers Brown.....	Assistant Rabban.
Byron K. Elliott.....	High Priest.
William H. Schmidt.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Meyer.....	Treasurer.
Joseph W. Smith (4 Ingalls Block).....	Recorder.
Willis C. Vajen.....	First Cer. Master.
Ahira R. White.....	Second Cer. Master.
Henry H. McGaffey.....	Director.
Frank T. Holliday.....	Marshal.
Samuel A. Johnston.....	Captain of Guard.
John Saunders.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 13, 1884.—Number of Members, 232.

35.—ORIENTAL TEMPLE, TROY, N. Y.

Henry Stowell (5 Cannon Pl.).....	Potentate.
James S. Toner.....	Chief Rabban.
William A. Lent.....	Assistant Rabban.
William Finder, Jr.....	High Priest.
Isaac F. Handy.....	Oriental Guide.
Oliver Dexter, Jr.....	Treasurer.
William Pettis (273 River St.).....	Recorder.
Robert Seitz.....	First Cer. Master.
William B. Perry.....	Second Cer. Master.
James H. Lloyd.....	Director.
Stephen V. Sturtevant.....	Marshal.
John H. Tappen.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles Teson.....	Outer Guard.

Founded February 6, 1877.—Number of Members, 173.

36.—OSIRIS TEMPLE, WHEELING, W. VA.

Alfred Paull (41 Twelfth St.)	Potentate.
W. M. Bougher	Chief Rabban.
E. L. Rose	Assistant Rabban.
Frank H. Warden	High Priest.
R. H. List	Oriental Guide.
W. A. Wilson	Treasurer.
Mathew R. Wolff (Telephone Exchange)	Recorder.
George Bremer	First Cer. Master.
F. E. McCoy	Second Cer. Master.
J. A. H. Parsons	Director.
J. W. Hunter	Marshal.
E. W. Dunaway	Captain of Guard.
T. W. Bliss	Outer Guard.

Founded July 22, 1886.—Number of Members, 59.

37.—OSMAN TEMPLE, ST. PAUL, MINN.

George R. Metcalf (110 W. 4th St.)	Potentate
James E. Moore	Chief Rabban.
Manly B. Curry	Assistant Rabban.
Oscar M. Metcalf	High Priest.
Russell C. Munger	Oriental Guide.
William Rhodes	Treasurer.
Orville G. Miller (63 East Third St.)	Recorder.
William P. Jewett	First Cer. Master.
Bernhard Zimmermann	Second Cer. Master.
William H. S. Wright	Director.
Newton I. Willey	Marshal.
George S. Acker	Captain of Guard.
Jean C. Fischer	Outer Guard.

Founded June 20, 1885.—Number of Members, 165.

38.—PALESTINE TEMPLE, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

George H. Burnham (Providence, R. I.)	Potentate.
Henry C. Field	Chief Rabban.
Albert L. Anthony	Assistant Rabban.
Vernon O. Taylor	High Priest.
Wendell P. Anthony	Oriental Guide.
John S. Massie	Treasurer.
Andrew B. Eddy (6 Benevolent St.)	Recorder.
Henry C. Armstrong	First Cer. Master.
John S. Rogers	Second Cer. Master.
J. William Moore	Marshal.
Charles H. C. Carter	Captain of Guard.
Richard Chadwick	Outer Guard.

Founded January 28, 1886.—Number of Members, 89.

39.—PYRAMID TEMPLE, BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

Julius W. Knowlton (Bridgeport, Conn.)	Potentate.
Stephen T. Bartlett	Chief Rabban.
Hobart W. Watson	Assistant Rabban.
Edwin I. Pyle	High Priest.
Alpheus D. Dutton	Oriental Guide.
Henry Gardner	Treasurer.
E. Stewart Sumner (P. O. Box 1684)	Recorder.
Hugh Stirling	First Cer. Master.
David C. Mills	Second Cer. Master.
Thaddeus B. Beecher	Director.
William J. Dorrance	Marshal.
Charles H. Peet, Jr.	Captain of Guard.
Rodney S. Bassett	Outer Guard.

Founded April 18, 1877.—Number of Members, 340.

40.—RAMESES TEMPLE, TORONTO, CANADA.

Henry A. Collins (90 Yonge St.)	Potentate.
H. A. Taylor	Chief Rabban.
James A. McMurtry	Assistant Rabban.
W. Simpson	High Priest.
N. L. Lyon	Oriental Guide.
George S. McConkey	Treasurer.
James Glanville (18 Cumberland St.)	Recorder.
J. E. Mitchell	First Cer. Master.
J. King	Second Cer. Master.
F. B. Lockwood	Director.
J. K. Leslie	Marshal.
L. B. Montgomery	Captain of Guard.
W. H. H. Smith	Outer Guard.

Founded April 21, 1887.—Number of Members, 55.

41.—SAHARA TEMPLE, PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS.

Marcus L. Bell (Pine Bluff, Ark.)	Potentate.
John T. Marsh	Chief Rabban.
James W. Montague	Assistant Rabban.
Innes O. Adams	High Priest.
David I. Mills	Oriental Guide.
John O'Connell	Treasurer.
Thomas W. Vining (316 Pine St.)	Recorder.
Alphonso D. Shotwell	First Cer. Master.
David L. Trimble	Second Cer. Master.
Pleasant B. Field	Director.
William C. Hazelteen	Marshal.
Wesley B. McGehee	Captain of Guard.
Alphonse Brewster	Outer Guard.

Founded April 16, 1889.—Number of Members, 23.

42.—SALAAM TEMPLE, OLNEY, ILL.

Gideon D. Slanker (Olney, Ill.)	Potentate.
John Von Gunten, Jr.	Chief Rabban.
Martin D. Foster.	Assistant Rabban.
William A. Colledge.	High Priest.
William A. Thompson.	Oriental Guide.
Robert N. Stotler.	Treasurer.
William F. Beck (Olney Times Office).	Recorder.
John Kuster.	First Cer. Master.
Harvey M. Hall.	Second Cer. Master.
Charles H. Scott.	Director.
Henry B. Goddard.	Marshal.
Philip Raling.	Captain of Guard.
Isaac O. Wolf.	Outer Guard.

Founded January 1, 1884.—Number of Members, 38.

43.—SALADIN TEMPLE, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Henry F. Hastings (Grand Rapids, Mich.)	Potentate.
Charles B. Judd.	Chief Rabban.
George F. Buss.	Assistant Rabban.
John Goldsmith.	High Priest.
Edwin B. Wright.	Oriental Guide.
Thomas J. Lucas.	Treasurer.
Samuel E. Watson (14 Canal St.)	Recorder.
Noah H. Reynolds.	First Cer. Master.
Asa B. Kennan.	Second Cer. Master.
William P. Innes.	Director.
Heman N. Moore.	Marshal.
Lucius M. Cary.	Captain of Guard.
Frederick A. Holcomb.	Outer Guard.

Founded April 17, 1886.—Number of Members, 159.

44.—SESOSTRIS TEMPLE, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA.

Melchert H. Garten (1103 H St.)	Potentate.
Milton H. Everett.	Chief Rabban.
Earl A. Cooley.	Assistant Rabban.
Alfred G. Hastings.	High Priest.
Walter C. Davis.	Oriental Guide.
Jerry F. Morris.	Treasurer.
Frank M. Glenn (1437 F St.)	Recorder.
Alva E. Kennard.	First Cer. Master.
William J. Turner.	Second Cer. Master.
James Tyler.	Director.
John H. McClay.	Marshal.
Martin R. Davey.	Captain of Guard.
Alexander H. Hutton.	Outer Guard.

Founded June 22, 1887.—Number of Members, 80.

45.—SYRIA TEMPLE, PITTSBURGH, PA.

Thomas J. Hudson (P. O. Box 790).....	Potentate.
Arthur B. Wigley.....	Chief Rabban.
Americus V. Holmes.....	Assistant Rabban.
Geter C. Shidle.....	High Priest.
William S. Brown.....	Oriental Guide.
Joseph Eichbaum.....	Treasurer.
J. Harry Letsche (P. O. Box 790).....	Recorder.
Job C. Bartlett.....	First Cer. Master.
Alfred B. Davitt.....	Second Cer. Master.
Benjamin Darlington.....	Director.
Henry H. Arnold.....	Marshal.
William M. Ramsey.....	Captain of Guard.
George C. Johnston.....	Outer Guard.

Founded May 19, 1877.—Number of Members, 461.

46.—SYRIAN TEMPLE, CINCINNATI, OHIO.

William B. Melish (181 Walnut St.).....	Potentate.
Charles H. Flach.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles H. Fish.....	Assistant Rabban.
Sherwood B. Markland.....	High Priest.
Joseph Kirkup.....	Oriental Guide.
Thomas Kite, Jr.....	Treasurer.
Edward C. Harding (15 W. Third St.).....	Recorder.
George T. Sterrett.....	First Cer. Master.
Frank G. Curry.....	Second Cer. Master.
William Michie.....	Director.
Ralph Avery.....	Marshal.
William B. Carpenter.....	Captain of Guard.
James A. Hughes.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 6, 1876.—Number of Members, 347.

47.—TANGIER TEMPLE, OMAHA, NEBRASKA.

Gustave Anderson (1504 Furman St.).....	Potentate.
Henry C. Akin.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles N. Dietz.....	Assistant Rabban.
L. M. Anderson.....	High Priest.
J. R. Stoford.....	Oriental Guide.
Victor White.....	Treasurer.
Victor White (P. O. Drawer 44).....	Recorder.
Fred J. Borthwick.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles S. Huntington.....	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas K. Sudborough.....	Director.
Richard Smith.....	Marshal.
M. O. Maul.....	Captain of Guard.
William J. Mount.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 15, 1889.—Number of Members, 137.

48.—TRIPOLI TEMPLE, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Eugene S. Elliott (80 Wisconsin St.)	Potentate.
Luther L. Caufy	Chief Rabban.
Leroy C. Whitney	Assistant Rabban.
John W. Laffin	High Priest.
Frank B. Golley	Oriental Guide.
John E. Armitage	Treasurer.
George A. Schroeder (1129 Sycamore St.)	Recorder.
John L. Ferguson	First Cer. Master.
Christopher Siebert	Second Cer. Master.
Adolph H. Wagner	Marshal.
William H. Morris	Captain of Guard.
Thomas M. Corbett	Outer Guard.

Founded March 9, 1885.—Number of Members, 184.

49.—ZIYARA TEMPLE, UTICA, N. Y.

John W. Boyle (Utica, N. Y.)	Potentate.
Jacob Scheehl	Chief Rabban.
John B. Jones	Assistant Rabban.
E. L. Akehurst	High Priest.
Henry G. Beltz	Oriental Guide.
Noble F. Martin	Treasurer.
Taliesin Evans (Utica, N. Y.)	Recorder.
William Howarth	First Cer. Master.
George D. Frank	Second Cer. Master.
Taliesin Evans	Director.
Roderick Campbell	Marshal.
Frank K. Baxter	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin Thomas	Outer Guard.

Founded October 30, 1877.—Number of Members, 178.

50.—ZUHRAH TEMPLE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

John A. Schlener (425 Nicollet Ave.)	Potentate.
Hugh Kirkwood	Chief Rabban.
Joseph L. Dobbin	Assistant Rabban.
Robert G. Evans	High Priest.
Joshua W. Nash	Oriental Guide.
James M. Williams	Treasurer.
Albert A. Keith (P. O. Box 986)	Recorder.
Joseph B. Hudson	First Cer. Master.
Horace L. Daniels	Second Cer. Master.
John P. Harrison	Director.
Judson W. Stone	Marshal.
Horace M. Meyers	Captain of Guard.
William Cove	Outer Guard.

Founded July 25, 1885.—Number of Members, 169.



STATES WITH TEMPLES, JUNE 17, 1889.

1. ARKANSAS	Sahara Temple.
2. CALIFORNIA	Al Malaikah and Islam Temples.
3. COLORADO	El Jebel Temple.
4. CONNECTICUT	Pyramid Temple.
5. DAKOTA	El Riad Temple.
6. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Almas Temple.
7. FLORIDA	Morocco Temple.
8. ILLINOIS	Medinah and Salaam Temples.
9. INDIANA	Murat Temple.
10. IOWA	El Kahir and Kaaba Temples.
11. KANSAS	Abdallah and Isis Temples.
12. KENTUCKY	Kosair Temple.
13. LOUISIANA	Jerusalem Temple.
14. MARYLAND	Boumi Temple.
15. MASSACHUSETTS	Aleppo Temple.
16. MICHIGAN	Moslem and Saladin Temples.
17. MINNESOTA	Osman and Zuhrah Temples.
18. MISSOURI	Ararat, Moila, and Moolah Temples.
19. MONTANA	Algeria Temple.
20. NEBRASKA	Sesostris and Tangier Temples.
21. NEW MEXICO	Ballut Abyad Temple.
22. NEW YORK	Cyprus, Damascus, Ismailia, Kismet, Mecca, Oriental, and Ziyara Temples.
23. OHIO	Al Koran and Syrian Temples.
24. OREGON	Al Kader Temple.
25. PENNSYLVANIA	Lu Lu and Syria Temples.
26. RHODE ISLAND	Palestine Temple.
27. TEXAS	Hella Temple.
28. VERMONT	Mount Sinai Temple.
29. VIRGINIA	Acca Temple.
30. WASHINGTON	Afifi Temple.
31. WEST VIRGINIA	Osiris Temple.
32. WISCONSIN	Tripoli Temple.
33. CANADA	Rameses Temple.

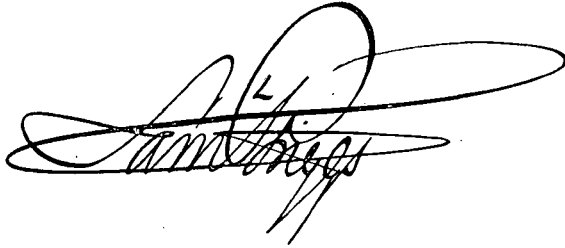
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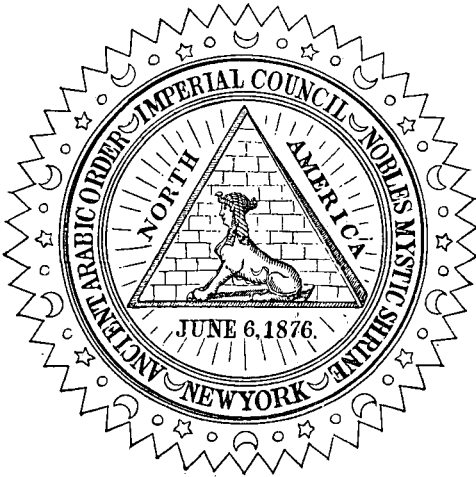
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PUBLICATION.

The Proceedings of the Fifteenth Session are hereby approved for
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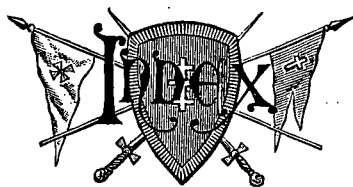


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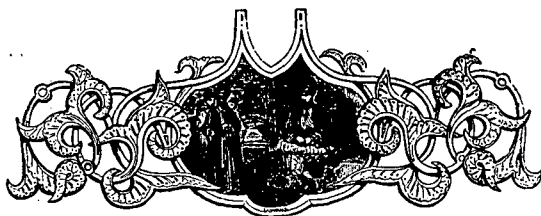
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IMPERIAL COUNCIL,
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SIXTEENTH SESSION.—1890.

PURSUANT to a call of the Imperial Potentate of May 6, 1890, the Sixteenth Session of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America was held in the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on Nahar el Etnin, the fourth day of the eleventh Arabic month of Dhu'l Kaada, A. H. 1307, corresponding to Monday, the 23d day of June, A. D. 1890, at 9 o'clock A. M.

IMPERIAL COUNCIL,
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— FOR —
NORTH AMERICA.

{ OFFICE OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE,
{ CLEVELAND, OHIO, May 6, 1890.

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE:

A special meeting of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America, will be held on Monday, June 23, 1890, at 9 A. M., at the Convention room of the Monongahela House at Pittsburgh, Pa. The headquarters of the Imperial Council will be at the Monongahela House, and all Nobles and Representatives who will be in attendance are respectfully requested to correspond with Illustrious Noble, Thomas J. Hudson, Potentate of Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa., in reference to rooms, that accommodations may be secured in time, and it is earnestly hoped that the Officers and Representatives will be in attendance.

It is absolutely necessary that delegates should arrive at Pittsburgh by Sunday evening, June 22, to facilitate dispatch of business on the 23d instant.

This being a Special Session, provided for by Section 2, Article II, of the Constitution you are advised that the following business will be considered:

The Annual Address and recommendations of the Imperial Potentate.

To adopt such recommendations as may be contained therein and which may meet the views of the Imperial Council.

To consider the present Constitution in several of its provisions; to receive amendments to the same; to determine the correct line of policy to be pursued thereunder, and to take action thereon.

To reconsider the action of the Imperial Council, had at the Fifteenth Annual Session, held at Chicago, on the 17th of June, 1889, by which action the Annual Session of the Imperial Council for 1890 was to be held at the

City of San Francisco, California, and to provide a more convenient place for the Session, or to dispense with the same.

The report of the Imperial Recorder for the fiscal year ending 10th day of June, 1890.

The report of the Imperial Treasurer for the same period.

To consider the condition of the finances of the Imperial Body, and to deliberate and act on ways and means for the increase of the revenue.

To consider and provide for the adoption of a uniform Calendar for the use of the subordinate Temples throughout the jurisdiction.

To consider the reports of all Temples under dispensation, and if proper grant Charters for the same.

NOTE.—In pursuance of this notice, all Temples under dispensation are hereby ordered to forward to the Imperial Recorder a full report of all work done up to the first of June, 1890, with the fees for all Nobles, and the Annual Dues, and accompanied by the Dispensation for the consideration of the Imperial Council.

To consider the following resolution offered by Noble Geo. R. Metcalf at the Fifteenth Annual Session:

Resolved, That on page 19 of the Ritual, at the end of the third line, there be added the following words: "Of the obedience of the Supreme Councils of the Northern and Southern Masonic Jurisdictions of the United States, or of some Supreme Council in communion and amity with these and recognized as legal and lawful by them; nor will I at any subsequent time unite myself to any so-called Scottish Rite Body, which may be pronounced illegal and clandestine by the Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine."

To consider the By-Laws of the following Temples, which have been referred through the Imperial Potentate to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, and approve the same if found correct: ABDALLAH TEMPLE, BALLUT ABYAD TEMPLE, SALAAM TEMPLE, ORIENTAL TEMPLE, and PALESTINE TEMPLE.

To grant Charters to the following Temples, whose Dispensations were continued from last Annual Session: SAHARA TEMPLE, TANGIER TEMPLE.

To consider the following resolution offered at the last Annual Session and adopt the same as an amendment to the Constitution if agreeable:

Resolved, That the Finance Committee have the power of auditing all bills, subject to the endorsement of the Imperial Potentate, and no bill shall be paid unless it goes through such process.

To consider the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals offered at the Fifteenth Annual Session of the Imperial Council as follows, and to take such proper action as may be necessary:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals beg leave to submit the following report:

The only matter brought before your Committee was a complaint from Salaam Temple against Medinah Temple, regarding the conferring the Order

of the Shrine by the latter Temple upon petitioners within the jurisdiction of Salaam.

This matter was, at the last hour, brought before your Committee, and proper time has not been afforded us to investigate a charge of so serious a nature.

The Potentate of Medinah Temple was summoned to appear before your Committee, and stated that copies of the charges had not been received by him or his Recorder, and he was not prepared to properly submit a reply during the time which he could be given by your Committee.

Your Committee recommend that this matter be referred to a special committee with instructions to make a full examination and be prepared with a recommendation at the next Annual Session of the Imperial Council. We herewith submit all papers relating to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH B. EAKINS,	} Committee.
EDWARD C. CULP,	
GEORGE P. BALMAIN,	

To consider the following amendment to the Constitution:

Resolved, That Article XI, Section 1, as to the number of members of Standing Committees be amended by striking out the word "three" and inserting the word "five."

To consider the following amendments to the Constitution reported by the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws:

Item 1. "Each Temple shall be further entitled to one additional Representative for every three hundred members, and one for each fraction over three hundred members in its number of membership, but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

Item 2. Resolved, That Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution be amended to read "The Representatives shall be chosen as follows: Each Temple shall *annually* elect by ballot, etc."

Item 3. Resolved, That Article XI, Section 1, be amended by striking out the word "three" and inserting the word "five" so that it shall read "The following Standing Committees, each consisting of *five* members shall be appointed, etc."

Item 4. Resolved, That Section 2, of Article XIII, of the Constitution shall be amended to read, "No dispensation shall be issued unless the petition shall be submitted to the nearest Temple of the Order in the State or Territory; but in the event of the refusal of said nearest Temple to grant consent, it shall be within the power of the Imperial Potentate to grant said dispensation without said consent, should he deem it for the best interests of the Order to do so. When an application for dispensation in unoccupied territory is received, etc.," as now printed.

Item 5. Resolved, That the following be added to Section 1, of Article XIV, of the Constitution: "*Provided*, also, that this Imperial Council may declare concurrent jurisdiction between all Temples in States where more

than one Temple exists, should it appear for the best interests of the Order to do so, but only after said disputing Temples have failed to agree upon concurrent jurisdiction or an equitable division of territory."

Item 6. Resolved, That Section 5, of Article III, of the Constitution be amended to read: "Section 5. All Past Imperial Potentates shall be Representatives *ad vitam*. The Imperial Council may, at its pleasure, elect any member of the Order as an Emeritus Member of the Imperial Council. Said Emeritus member or members shall have a voice in the proceedings of the Imperial Council, but shall have no other privileges or emoluments."

To instruct the Imperial Recorder to procure and insert in next printed proceedings of the Imperial Council the portrait and autograph of Past Imperial Potentate Walter M. Fleming.

To honor Past Imperial Treasurer George W. Millar, as proposed at last Annual Session of Imperial Council.

To hear reports of Inspection of Temples made by Illustrious Henry E. Hosley, Deputy Imperial Potentate, and Illustrious Chas. H. Heaton.

Also to act on the following Resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of five to be appointed by the Imperial Potentate shall be appointed at the Special Session to be held at Pittsburgh, June 23, 1890, to revise the Ritual. That said Committee shall have power to make such changes, alterations, amendments or additions to the Ritual of this Order, as in the judgment of said Committee shall be for the best interests of the Order.

That the Committee so appointed shall be members of the Imperial Council and Potentates of subordinate Temples, and shall perfect its work and make report thereon to the Imperial Council at or prior to the Annual Session to be held in 1891.

That said Committee shall have power to appoint not to exceed six general meetings to be held at such time and place as may be fixed by the Committee when duly organized, and that the actual traveling expenses of said Committee, and a per diem of five dollars per day shall be allowed each member of said Committee when going to and attending such meetings.

Also to consider an amendment to Article IV, Section 2, of the Constitution by substituting "annual" for "triennial" in the second line of Section 2, and the same change in Section 2.

To make such appropriations from the Treasury as may be necessary for the expenses of the present (23d June) Session and the ensuing year.

To consider the subject of improprieties and obscene actions introduced in the ceremonies by certain Officers and Temples, and to take proper action thereon.

Your presence at this coming Session of the Imperial Council is fraternally solicited.

Courteously yours in the Shrine.

SAM. BRIGGS,

Imperial Potentate, Cleveland, Ohio.

FRANK M. LUCE,

Imperial Recorder, Room 211, No. 167 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

PRESENT AT OPENING.

OFFICERS.

M. Ill.	SAM. BRIGGS.....	Imperial Potentate.
Ill.	HENRY E. HOSLEY.....	Imperial Deputy Potentate.
"	WILLIAM B. MELISH.....	Imperial Chief Rabban.
"	THOMAS J. HUDSON.....	Imperial Assistant Rabban.
"	GEORGE P. BALMAIN.....	as Imperial High Priest and Prophet.
"	BRUCE GOODFELLOW.....	Imperial Oriental Guide.
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"	EDWARD C. CULP.....	Imperial Captain of Guard.
"	JOSEPH L. DOBBIN.....	as Imperial Outer Guard.

MEMBERS.

	Noble	ETHELBERT F. ALLEN.....	Kansas City, Mo.
"		GUSTAVE ANDERSON.....	Omaha, Neb.
"		JOSEPH K. ASHBY.....	Fort Worth, Texas.
"		WILLIAM N. BALDWIN.....	Helena, Montana.
"		WILLIAM M. BAILEY.....	Detroit, Mich.
"		GEORGE P. BALMAIN.....	Pittsburg, Pa.
"		EZRA S. BARTLETT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
"		THADDEUS B. BEECHER.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
"		MARCUS L. BELL.....	Pine Bluff, Ark.
"		THOMAS J. BISHOP.....	Greenbush Heights, N. Y.
"		JOHN W. BOYLE.....	Utica, N. Y.
"		WILLIAM H. BRAZIER.....	Milwaukee, Wis.
"		SAM. BRIGGS.....	Cleveland, Ohio.
"		DWIGHT BYINGTON.....	Leavenworth, Kan.
"		EDWARD C. CULP.....	Salina, Kan.
"		BENJAMIN DARLINGTON.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"		JOSEPH L. DOBBIN.....	Minneapolis, Minn.
"		LEWIS P. DOSH.....	Davenport, Iowa.
"		JOSEPH B. EAKINS.....	New York, N. Y.
"		CYRUS W. EATON.....	Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
"		LOUIS P. ECKER.....	Richmond, Va.
"		RUFUS E. FLEMING.....	Fargo, N. D.
"		JAMES A. FOX.....	Cambridge, Mass.
"		FRANK J. HARD.....	Denver, Col.
"		CHARLES H. HEATON.....	Montpelier, Vt.

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"	HENRY E. HOSLEY.....	South Boston, Mass.
"	THOMAS J. HUDSON.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"	HORACE W. HUBBARD.....	Cleveland, O.
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"	BRUCE GOODFELLOW.....	Detroit, Mich.
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"	JULIUS W. KNOWLTON.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
"	FREDERICK LEIBRANDT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	FRANK LOCKE.....	Boston, Mass.
"	FRANK M. LUCE.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	HENRY H. MCGAFFEY.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
"	JAMES MCGEE.....	New York, N. Y.
"	RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.....	Akron, O.
"	JOHN A. MAY.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	WILLIAM H. MAYO.....	St. Louis, Mo.
"	WILLIAM B. MELISH.....	Cincinnati, O.
"	GEORGE R. METCALF.....	St. Paul, Minn.
"	WILLIAM MICHIE.....	Cincinnati, O.
"	GEORGE W. MILLAR.....	New York, N. Y.
"	WILLIAM C. NICKUM.....	Baltimore, Md.
"	WILLIAM S. PATERSON.....	New York, N. Y.
"	BENJAMIN W. ROWELL.....	Boston, Mass.
"	WILLIAM RYAN.....	Louisville, Ky.
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"	WILLIAM A. STILES.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	HENRY STOWELL.....	Troy, N. Y.
"	JAMES H. THOMPSON.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	WAYLAND TRASK.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
"	SAMUEL E. WATSON.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.
"	SYDNEY F. WALKER.....	Washington, D. C.
"	MATHEW R. WOLFF.....	Wheeling, W. Va.
"	JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.

VISITORS.

A large number of the Nobles of the Order, who were visitors from various parts of the United States and Canada, was present during the Session.

OPENING.

The Imperial Council in Session was opened in full Ceremonial Form.
The IMPERIAL HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET delivered the solemn Invocation of the Order.

The Imperial Council was declared open in Ample Form, and in order for business.

The Roll of Officers was called, those present are recorded above, and appointments were made to fill the vacancies temporarily, as noted in the list of Officers.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

The Imperial Recorder announced that the Proceedings of the Fifteenth Annual Session had been printed, and sent to all Members of the Imperial Council, and to all Temples.

On motion, the reading of the last Annual Proceedings was dispensed with.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the Proceedings of the Fifteenth Annual Session, as printed, be, and they are hereby, approved and adopted.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Most Illustrious Potentate, SAM. BRIGGS, submitted and delivered the following address:

OASIS OF CLEVELAND,
June 19, 1890.

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL:

“ES SELAMU ALEIKUM.”

ILLUSTRIOUS ASSOCIATES: On this, the first occasion in many years of a special session of this Imperial Body, I desire to thank the officers and representatives for the interest they have evidenced in the well-being of our Order by their presence in so large a number at this time; and I will, as briefly as I may, review the work of the past year from such data as I have been permitted to possess, and present as concisely as possible such recommendations as have suggested themselves to me.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

The interest in the Institution has been variable the past year in localities. In some jurisdictions much work has been done, in others, little. Some of the older Temples have decreased the number of their initiates, which I believe to be wisdom, while others have, by peregrinating about their jurisdictions, striven to extend their influence abroad, seemingly forgetting that there might be another duty, that of providing for the well-being, happiness and interest of those who were already worshippers.

On the 19th of August last, Palestine Temple, formerly located at the city of Newport, Rhode Island, was removed, by consent, to the city of Providence, in the same state.

This matter was committed to the hands of the Illustrious Deputy Imperial Potentate, Henry E. Hosley, who accomplished the same in a very satisfactory manner to all of the members, and likewise to this Imperial Body, whose desire should be to have Temples located in the larger cities, where greater benefits can accrue.

JURISDICTIONAL DIVISION.

Acting upon the advice shadowed forth in the proposed amendment to the constitution offered at Imperial Council of 1889, the state of Nebraska has been divided into two jurisdictions, governed respectively by Tangier, at Omaha, and Sesostris Temple at Lincoln, Nebraska.

As an evidence of the fellowship existing in this Order, both Temples have jointly made a pilgrimage to Hastings, Nebraska, where I have learned that they had a most glorious observance, quite satisfactory to the Temples and the novices that were permitted to participate in the ceremonies and festivities of the occasion.

THE FRATERNAL DEAD.

Earth hath two gifts, all other gifts above,
And both are born within a passing breath,
Yet last throughout all time; the one is Love,
The other, death.

I have not been officially or otherwise advised of the decease of any member of the Order of prominence in either our own jurisdiction or the oriental hemisphere from whence our mystery emanated. This should be a cause for congratulation, and I may with reason point to our mortuary list of the past, and say confidently that the statistics show that membership in our Order is conducive to health and longevity.

TRANSACTIONS OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

The Imperial Recorder and Imperial Treasurer have each filed with me their official bonds, as required by articles VIII and IX of the constitution.

Early in the organization of the present Imperial Council a number of complaints were received concerning the supposed neglect of the IMPERIAL RECORDER. These omissions were inadvertent, and were the result of the reorganization of this bureau, and a natural condition incident to the removal of the archives from one city to another. I am pleased to say, however, that these complaints have entirely ceased, and this would evidence the fact that the Imperial Recorder is performing the official portion of his work

in a satisfactory manner, and should be an abundant cause for congratulation for those who were impatient that the mill did not grind smoothly at first.

The IMPERIAL TREASURER has brought his department to a business state of perfection, and all who have had relations with that bureau will abundantly testify to the promptness and accuracy with which our finances have been administered.

The following Nobles were commissioned as Deputies of the Imperial Council for the performance of the several duties mentioned:

AUTHORITIES GRANTED TO SPECIAL DEPUTIES.

- Ill. Rufus E. Fleming to communicate the Order to two (2) Sir Knights to constitute El Zagal Temple, Fargo, North Dakota.
- Ill. John S. Alfred to communicate the Order to seven (7) Sir Knights to constitute Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Ga.
- Ill. Thomas J. Hudson to officially inspect Al Koran Temple.
- Ill. John W. Boyle and Ill. Warren C. Rowley to install officers Ziyara Temple.
- Ill. Edward C. Culp to confer the Order for establishment of a Temple at Guthrie, Oklahoma.
- Ill. Dwight Byington to install officers Abdallah Temple.
- Ill. William C. McLean to install officers Morocco Temple.
- Ill. John W. Boyle and Ill. Henry J. Coggeshall to install officers Ziyara Temple.
- Ill. Henry E. Hosley to visit and officially inspect Lulu, Almas, Boumi and Acca Temples.
- Ill. Charles H. Heaton to officially inspect Oriental Temple.
- Ill. Frank M. Luce to officially inspect Salaam Temple.
- Ill. William H. Mayo to officially inspect Salaam Temple, vice Ill. Frank M. Luce, who was not able to attend to the duty.

All of whom who have performed their commissions, have returned their authorities and reports to this office.

COMMUNICATION OF THE ORDER.

For reasons considered sufficient, the Order was authorized to be communicated to the following eligibles:

Sir George F. Wells, Kismet Temple, Sept. 23, 1889.

Sir ——— Schug, Sesostri Temple, Aug. 9, 1889.

Also, on May 30, 1890, Kismet Temple was permitted to communicate to several aspirants already elected, and for reasons deemed to be proper.

BY-LAWS.

The by-laws of *El Jebel, Ismailia, Osiris* and *Syria Temples* submitted by your authority to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, were returned by said committee, officially approved, and so certified to said temples.

The by-laws of *Ballut-Abyad, Oriental, Palestine* and *Salaam Temples* received during the past year have been referred to said committee, and await the necessary constitutional action.

DISPENSATION AND CHARTERS.

By your authority, charters were forwarded to the following Temples; *Afifi, Al Kader, Ballut-Abyad* and *Moila*, the same having been granted by the Imperial Council of 1889.

Dispensations for special purposes have been issued during the past year as follows:

- To receive and act upon petitions at other than regular meetings, etc.
- June 27*, Sesostri Temple, Lincoln, Neb., July 3.
- August 19*, El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col., Sept. 23-24.
- Sept. 2*, Ballut-Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, N. M., October.
- Sept. 9*, Acca Temple, Richmond, Va., Election eve.
- Sept. 10*, Islam Temple, San Francisco, Cal. Sept. 11.
- Sept. 23*, Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 24.
- Sept. 23*, Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 2.
- Sept. 27*, Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 30.
- Nov. 10*, Algeria Temple, Helena, Mont., Nov. 14.
- Nov. 14*, Sesostri Temple, Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 20.
- Nov. 20*, Ballut-Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, N. M., Nov.-Dec.
- Nov. 21*, El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col., Dec. 9-10.
- Nov. 24*, Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 4.
- Dec. 16*, Ballut-Abyad Temple, (To hold special election).
- Dec. 16*, Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 26.
- Dec. 22*, Al Kader Temple, (To hold special election).
- Jan. 16*, Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 17.
- Feb. 3*, Boumi Temple, (To hold special election).
- Feb. 27*, Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo., March 12.
- March 11*, Sesostri Temple, Lincoln, Neb., March 11.
- March 14*, El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col., (special sessions), April 14-15.
- March 20*, Moila Temple, St. Joseph, Mo., to hold special sessions to and including May 31.
- April 15*, Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan., May 12.
- April 24*, Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich., May 14.
- April 24*, Tangier Temple, Pilgrimage to Hastings, Neb., and to receive and act on petitions May 10.

May 2, Sesostris Temple, to unite with Tangier Temple on above occasion.

May 2, Ararat Temple; to receive and act on petitions May 5.

May 2, Osman Temple, to receive and act on petitions May 5. Duluth, Minn., May 31.

June 12, Ararat Temple, to receive and act on petitions June 17.

DISPENSATIONS FOR TEMPLES

Have been granted as follows:

September 15, 1889; Sir Geo. C. Connor, and others, for Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Nov. 13, 1889; Ill. Rufus E. Fleming, and others, for El Zagal Temple, Fargo, North Dakota.

November 21, 1889; Ill. John S. Alfred, and others, for Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Georgia.

Dispensations have also been allowed

Ill. Francis M. Bishop, and others, for El Kalah Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Ill. Clarence S. Scott, and others, for El Katif Temple, Spokane Falls, Washington.

OTHER AUTHORITIES GRANTED.

Aleppo Temple, to confer the Order in Maine at any time prior to establishment of a Temple in that state.

CORRESPONDENCE

In reference to the establishment of Temples has been received from Sir Knights at Ogden, Utah; Jamestown, North Dakota; Nebraska City, Nebraska; Asheville, North Carolina; Knoxville, Tennessee; Moberly, Missouri; Austin, Texas; Savannah, Georgia; Guthrie, Oklahoma; Wichita, Kansas; Des Moines, Iowa, and a very interesting communication from Ill. John Stanley Meigs, of Medinah Temple, now resident of Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic, relative to the probability of the establishment of a Temple at that city.

CHARTERS.

I have forwarded to the Imperial Recorder a petition from Tangier Temple, of Omaha, Nebraska, asking that a charter be granted them at this session. I would recommend your favorable action in this matter, as well as in the cases of Alhambra, El Zagal and Yaarab Temples, whose reports would seem to merit your proper consideration.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

My opportunities have been limited during the past year, and official visitations in person have been few. Ismailia Temple was inspected in January last. Alhambra Temple was established by myself in September, 1889. I visited Washington in October last, and such other official inspections as have been made, were through authorities granted to the Deputy Imperial Potentate Henry E. Hosley, the Imperial Assistant Rabban Thomas J. Hudson, and to Illustrious Charles H. Heaton, whose reports are hereto appended.

REPORT OF INSPECTION OF AL KORAN TEMPLE.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Dec. 10, 1889.

SAM BRIGGS, ESQ., *Imperial Potentate, A. A. O. N. M. S., Cleveland, Ohio.*

ILLUSTRIOUS SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your order detailing me as Special Deputy to be present at Cleveland, Ohio, on the 3d inst., to inspect the work of Al Koran Temple.

In compliance with same, I went to Cleveland on the morning of the 3d inst. in company with a number of Nobles from Baltimore and Washington. At 8.00 P. M. on that evening I was present at the Consistory rooms in Masonic Temple, and found assembled therein, over two hundred members and visiting Nobles. The Temple was opened in full ceremonial form, when eighteen sons of the desert were announced for induction into mysteries of the Shrine. The exemplification of the ritual was perfect in every respect, prompt and complete in detail, as well as elaborate and impressive. The costumes and properties beautiful and appropriate. The musical features of the ceremony were of a decidedly interesting nature, which should be considered a necessary adjunct with all Temples, in order to have impressive and successful work.

At the close of the ceremonial the Nobles, in number about three hundred and fifty, were marched to the large banquet hall on the upper floor of the Temple, where the Nobles were elegantly welcomed by Potentate Sam Briggs. During the discussing of an elegant menu, the guests were entertained by an excellent orchestra. Then followed a well-arranged programme of sentiments, songs and fairy tales, and, as is customary, the hilarity continued until beyond the "wee sma' hours."

The visiting Nobles present on that occasion must certainly have gone home with the impression that they witnessed an exemplification of Shrine ceremonies that they may safely accept as standard and worthy of emulation.

Yours in Faith,

(Signed)

T. J. HUDSON,

Imp. Ass't Rabban, Special Deputy.

REPORT OF INSPECTION OF ORIENTAL TEMPLE.

MONTPELIER, VT., April 24, 1890.

To ILLUSTRIOUS SAM. BRIGGS, *Imperial Potentate*.

NOBLE SIR: By authority on me conferred I made an official visitation to Oriental Temple, Troy, New York, on Friday evening, April 18, and was received with honors due the representative of the Imperial Potentate. The present year for this Temple has been very prosperous. The grades were conferred upon a class of thirteen with more than usual impressiveness. The records of this Temple are a model of neatness, and well they may be, being in the care of Noble Pettis. During the evening a banquet was served. I formed new friendships, my entertainment was royal, and the hospitalities shown me were unbounded. The finances are in a good condition, and the outlook for the future looks bright.

I have the honor to be,

Illustrious sir, yours courteously,

C. H. HEATON,

Rep. Imp. Council and Special Deputy.

REPORT OF INSPECTION OF ALMAS, ACCA, BOUMI AND LULU TEMPLES.

ILLUSTRIOUS IMPERIAL POTENTATE: Having visited the various Temples in accordance with the commission with which you were pleased to honor me as Deputy Imperial Potentate, I have the honor to submit my report:

On the 24th of February I visited Almas Temple, of Washington, D. C.

On the 27th of February I visited Acca Temple, of Richmond, Va.

On the 28th of February I visited Boumi Temple, of Baltimore, Md., and

On March 5 I visited Lulu Temple, of Philadelphia, Pa.

In all the Temples visited there was shown the most perfect harmony and union, and all were well-equipped for the full exemplification and rendition of the ritual. In only two of the Temples visited did I have the pleasure of witnessing a full exemplification of the work,—the Temple at Baltimore holding an election the evening I was present—but I found the officers all were thoroughly conversant with the ritual and its requirements, and rendered the work in an able and impressive manner.

As a representative of the Imperial Council I was received with generous and hearty hospitality, and every means offered in assistance of my official duties.

Thanking you cordially for the honor of this appointment, I am,

Yours in the Faith,

HENRY E. HOSLEY,

Deputy Imperial Potentate.

CORRESPONDENCE.

I regret very much to note under this caption the continued illness of our representative of Temples in the East, Ill. John Worthington, who has been unable to add to the interest of this session, by forwarding his usual budget of correspondence concerning his observation among the Temples adjacent to his official post of duty.

He has been seriously ill during the past year, and has several times been absent from the Consulate at Malta, sojourning in southern Italy and France, under the care of eminent physicians, striving for relief from a stubborn and unyielding ailment.

The last direct intelligence informed me that he was at a noted *Sanitarium* near Bristol, England, but since I have indirectly learned that he had returned to the Mediterranean, but in such a state of health as will preclude any extended visiting or literary work. I trust, however, that he may be eventually restored to his former vigor and a life of usefulness, both for the interest of our Order, and the consular service in which he has achieved an enviable reputation.

EXPENSES OF IMPERIAL OFFICE.

For the year ending June 13, 1890, the expenses of this office have been as follows:

Stationery, postage, printing	\$ 144 60
Office expenses	245 65
Traveling expenses, self and special deputies	540 96
Eighty-four days' time, at \$5 per diem.....	420 00
	\$1,351 21

An unexpended balance of \$170.15 still remains in my hands at this writing.

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

From such information as has been afforded me, I am able to *estimate* the revenue of the past year accruing from the particular business of the period to be about as follows:

Fees from new Temples and other equipment.....	\$ 821 00
From annual dues	1,600 00
Diploma fees, 1889 and 1890	6,774 00
Diploma fees for the years 1888 and 1889.....	547 00
Making a total of.....	\$9,742 00

An examination of the reports of the various Temples shows that thirty-one Temples have shown a decrease in the number of initiates, while twenty-

two Temples, including three for which dispensations were issued during the past year, show an increase of initiations.

The increase in revenue from diploma fees for present fiscal year over the preceding year has been less than \$600, and this increase has principally been contributed by three of the larger Temples, two of which are in New England, and the other on the Pacific coast.

GRIEVANCE AND APPEAL.

The difficulty between Medinah Temple and Salaam Temple appears to be the only subject under this head requiring attention at the present time. Suggestions have been made on both sides, but under the present provisions of the Constitution I see no remedy for the trouble. Jurisdictional boundaries are defined. Temples are not bound to do work, neither are they required to release jurisdiction over aspirants resident in their territory. This is the condition of affairs between the Temples named, and nothing but an amendment to the Constitution would seem to reach the case, and of the advisability of such action you must be the judges.

JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

Every year brings new instances and new complications for decision, and I will under this head present such as have occurred since our last session, without any recommendation, simply remanding them to your careful consideration.

The Constitution in existence previous to June, 1889, contained a provision governing the status of individuals who had been suspended or expelled in bodies, membership in which is a prerequisite to this Order. For some reason this provision was omitted from the present Constitution.

It is quite difficult to decide in cases where a person, a member of this Order, holding prerequisite membership in both the Ancient and Accepted Rite, and the Order of Knights Templar, and such person is expelled or suspended by one Rite, and his friends (or otherwise) bring the matter into the Shrine, to have him similarly disposed of; each party being similarly prejudiced, either in favor or against his membership in the Shrine, according as they are members of either of the Rites mentioned.

Concerning the question which has been asked a number of times, "Can a Potentate or other officer of the Imperial Council or subordinate bodies resign?"

There is no statutory provision governing such cases.

Concerning the proposed amendment to Section 2, Article III of the Constitution, provided that such article shall be amended to read, "The representatives shall be chosen as follows: each Temple shall annually elect by ballot, etc." Concerning this proposed amendment it suggests itself to me that such provision should be made in such amendment as will prevent any

Temple from having more than its legal representation. For instance, at an annual election a Temple might elect three representatives; the following Imperial Council might be a session at which officers were elected; if either of the representatives of such Temple should be chosen to position in the Imperial Council, and the Temple at the next annual election should choose three different individuals from the former as representatives, no power could eject those members of the Imperial Council who had been elected to office therein (except for cause) and the Temple would then have more representatives in the Imperial Council than the maximum number provided by the Constitution.

There have been quite a number of reports of dissatisfaction and criticism manifested during the past year concerning notices of meetings which exceed in a measure the bounds of propriety.

The natural tendency of the American people towards humor and occasional levity quite often crops out in the notices of meetings, giving the profane a mistaken idea of the object of the Institution and its general objects.

The oft repeated admonitions of the Imperial office appear to wear out from one season to another, and unless some penalty is enacted by this Imperial body, it is quite easy to foresee what the final result will be.

REVENUE.

No regulation has ever been made by this Imperial body concerning the collection of its revenue. During previous administrations no document or article representing value, and which formed a portion of the revenue of the Imperial Council, was allowed to be sent from the Recorder's office until the money for the same was in hand. This has been custom only. I think it would be proper to instruct the Imperial Recorder the pleasure of this Imperial body in the matter, so that he might be relieved of any discretion or responsibility.

Proxies have never been recognized by the Imperial Council nor has the subject been brought up for serious consideration. Should it be contemplated to make such provision, it should be provided that a representative could issue a proxy, provided he issued it to a Noble, a member of his own Temple.

At present should a representative not be able to attend the Imperial Council, it would render his resignation necessary, in which case the Temple would have to call a special election for his successor, should they desire representation at any session.

EMERITI MEMBERS.

Concerning the proposed amendment to the Constitution permitting the election of Emeriti Members, I would suggest that if such amendment pre-

vails, that all those former members of the Imperial Council who have reached this honor, be provided with properly engrossed certificates of this fact. And in this connection would suggest that a proper certificate be voted to Past Imperial Potentate, Walter M. Fleming, attesting his service in this Imperial body.

RESIGNATIONS.

I have been asked on several occasions during the past year under what conditions an officer of the Imperial Council or of a subordinate Temple could resign. I am not familiar with the practice in other similar bodies, but am inclined to the opinion that a person having held the same office for one term, could resign his position at any time after election, should he so be inclined, and it would be but proper for the body in which he held office to accept the same.

EMBLEMS.

On several occasions there have been submitted to me business circulars and manufactured articles with the Emblem of the Order imprinted or water marked thereon. It is hardly necessary to say that the use of our Insignia in such manner is in very bad taste, and neither advances the interests of the individual nor the welfare of the Institution. Such "catch-penny" action on the part of any individual warrants the severest reproof.

DECISIONS.

ALHAMBRA TEMPLE.

Every Temple is sovereign in its own jurisdiction, whether under charter or dispensation, and no applicant resident in such jurisdiction can apply elsewhere for order without consent of Temple.

KOSAIR TEMPLE.

The right to object to any visiting member is inherent with every Noble in good standing, but no member in good standing in his Temple can be expelled or ordered out at the request of another member except upon charges made, trial, conviction, and sentence.

Neither would a Temple have the right to take such steps, except by action of the Imperial Council. Any member in good standing in your Temple has equal rights with every other member, and nothing can endanger this right except he fall under suspension or expulsion as a Knight Templar, or a 32° Mason as we recognize them, in which case I should rule that his membership in this order was similarly affected.

GENERAL.

I have ruled that Temples may open and confer the Order at a regular session held at any place within their proper jurisdiction, notice being given of such intent. But no other business can be transacted at such session, except the necessary preliminaries toward conferring the Order. Special meetings may also be called within the jurisdiction for similar purposes, proper notice being given.

BALLUT-ABYAD TEMPLE.

Any person presiding in a Temple as Potentate by choice of the charter members under dispensation, and being named as such in dispensation, and presiding in such capacity prior to charter being granted, is to all intent a Past Potentate.

I have ruled that Temples under dispensation hold no election unless they so desire.

When charter is granted they *must* hold an election as soon after its reception as convenient.

TANGIER TEMPLE.

Upon an inquiry concerning dues to the Imperial Council, I have ruled that a Temple under dispensation was only liable for dues for the fractional part of the year that it was in existence, in addition to the *per capita* on creations.

DAMASCUS TEMPLE.

A Potentate cannot resign after having been duly elected and installed. Neither can he be enforced to accept a re-election after having served one term.

WALTER M. FLEMING, PAST IMPERIAL POTENTATE.

[In reference to by-laws of a certain Temple, approved by *Deputy of State* prior to adoption of present constitution, and said by-laws still existing and governing said Temple.]

Any acts of duly authorized Deputies of the Imperial Council, executed by virtue of such authority prior to the abolition of such office, must stand as law, until the constituting authority, the Imperial Council, shall amend or repeal.

Expulsion or suspension from any of the bodies, membership in which is a prerequisite for this Order, likewise affects the party's standing in this Order.

Temples are sovereign in their own jurisdiction, such jurisdictional boundaries being fixed by the constitution, or having been agreed upon

between the Temples interested. Requests are often made of the Imperial Potentate to grant dispensations tending to obliterate constitutional jurisdictional boundaries in the interests of other Temples. A Temple holding a charter or dispensation has a legal existence and legal jurisdiction, and whether they work or not, and such existence and jurisdiction cannot be gain-said unless by authority of law.

RITUAL.

Concerning the proprietary rights of individuals in rituals held by them, it must be admitted that the rituals were not intended to become the property of any individual whatever his quality, rank or title.

The deposit of \$5.00 was only to insure safe preservation and it is expected on the retirement of the holder from office that the return of the ritual should be made at once, and upon such return the Imperial Council should make good to the party the deposit which he had made.

I have noted that a certain individual, a past member of this Imperial Council, has offered for sale his entire Masonic library. Among the articles enumerated is a ritual belonging to this Body. I have remonstrated with him concerning the return of the ritual to its proper owners, and have offered to refund his deposit, to all of which he maintains a very respectful silence. I refer the matter to you at this time for your consideration and action.

REVISION OF RITUAL.

Communications have been received by me during the past two years, making suggestions regarding the amending of the ritual. Nearly every Temple has its own peculiar notion concerning what is, or what is not proper, to be added to or left out of the ritual, notwithstanding that the constitution of the Imperial Council prescribes that no alterations or additions shall be made in the ritual, except by the authority of the Imperial Council, etc. As far as my observation goes, I find that the law is more honored in the breach than in the observance, as hardly a Temple exists within the jurisdiction of this Imperial Council that does not waver more or less from the prescribed form of ceremonies. A number of presiding officers of bodies have suggested that this entire matter be submitted to a committee, and I trust that the Imperial Council will take some decisive action on the resolution offered by Ill. John W. Boyle, looking to a revision of the esoteric work of the Order, and at once.

PUBLICATIONS.

During the past year there have been no special additions to our literature, except in the recently published *Calendar* which so widely differs from the one to which we have become accustomed that the same has been criticised as quoted, but of the merits of which criticism I am unable to decide; therefore, I submit it to you:

"On examination of the dates, I find that the first seven months of the year 1309 are in error. Thirteen hundred and nine commences on Friday, August 7th, 1891, because 1308 is a leap year in which its 12th month has 30 days. In the book sent us, the date is August 6th. It seems probable that the computer overlooked the fact that the last month of 1308 contained 30 days. This error effects all the succeeding months till the 8th month, Shaaban, or that year, when owing to the fact that 1892 is a leap year in our calendar, which also seems to have been overlooked, the succeeding dates are correct. The correct days of commencement of the first seven months in the year 1309 are as follows: August 7, 1891; September 6, 1891; October 5, 1891; November 4, 1891; December 3, 1891; January 2, 1892; and January 31, 1892."

I had previously prepared a calendar for the Arabic years running up to June 2d, 1897, of our date, and finding a disagreement, I have carefully gone over all of my work, with proofs, to be certain that my figures were not in fault. It is frequently the case that the first day of the Arabic year is in doubt, and several formulæ have been devised as tests for this purpose. The best authority to which I can refer you is the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, Ninth Edition, Title, Calendar, where you will find a table inserted from *Woolhouse Tables of Weights and Measures of all Nations*, giving the commencement of each year during a whole cycle. The writer of the article says therein that all similar tables are erroneous, not even excepting the calculations of the famous French astronomer, called *The Art of Verifying Dates*, which is such a well-known authority. Will you permit me to offer a further suggestion? The transliteration of the names of the months as printed is not uniform, nor consonant with those to which we have been accustomed. Some appear to be Egyptian and others are variations of the vocal and consonantal letters, used probably in different places. This innovation does not commend itself to my judgment. It makes it more difficult to familiarize our Nobles with these words in their different forms. The poet Dante wrote a strong argument entitled *De Vulgari Eloquentia*, years ago, in which he insisted with great force that dialectic variations had never been and never should be elevated to the dignity of a literary language.

THE LIBRARY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF IOWA.

This Imperial Council has been signally honored by the Librarian of the Grand Lodge of the State of Iowa, Illustrious Theodore Sutton Parvin, who has established in the Library of the Grand Lodge a collection of the munitments of this Imperial Body and its subordinates, known as the Imperial Council Collection.

This should be esteemed to be a high compliment by the members of this Imperial Body, and I would urge that proper acknowledgment of the same be recorded.

SUBORDINATE TEMPLES.

The social feature appears to gain in popularity with each recurring season, and the addition of attractions for the entertainment of the members and their families at other than the regular observances appears to grow steadily in favor.

The most notable social events of the past season under the auspices of our Order, and especially commendable because given in the interest of charity, were given by the Temples Kismet, at Brooklyn, N. Y., and Ismailia, at Buffalo, N. Y. The former was thoroughly Oriental in magnificence. The decorations of the Academy of Music where it was held were regal in splendor; the pageant, a grand entree of over one hundred officers and members of Kismet Temple in gorgeous costumes, was a sight long to be remembered, and the hospitality extended by the officers and members of the Order, was indeed characteristic of the chivalry of by-gone days.

At Buffalo, Ismailia Temple gave a grand ball and reception for a worthy charity, the endowment of a "News Boys' Home." The success which attended the effort reflects great credit upon the body which lent its aid and assistance, and gives every evidence of what may be accomplished by *manus multæ, cor unum*.

GRAND ORIENT.

As there is no authority under the law for calling any place the Grand Orient of this Order, I have authorized the Imperial Recorder, at his desire, to omit such location from the blanks and forms of diplomas now in use.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

Referring to a recent publication, I have received quite a number of communications on such subject, one of which warrants some attention. The party commenting upon the ridiculous burlesque which was described, says: "I have been expecting this from the manner in which some of the Temples have been printing notices, etc."

It is hardly necessary to refer to the fact that the Imperial Council has aforetime issued notices disapproving of any levity in the notices of the meetings. If the Chief Executive by his signature, under the mandate of the Imperial Council, cannot enforce this most salutary and proper regulation, it is then time for this Imperial Council to take the matter in its own hand. I submit the matter to your attention without further comment.

THE BUSINESS OF THIS SPECIAL SESSION.

Such matters as are enumerated in the call for this session, for consideration at this time, and which have not been touched upon in the body of this address, may be commented on as follows: *Article V.* of the constitution relates to the duties of the Imperial Potentate. It having been a subject of

grave doubt to some, as to what constitutes "a general supervision of the Order," this section should be made more definite, stating what information may properly be required by the Imperial Potentate. *Article VIII.* of the constitution relating to the duties of the Imperial Recorder, also appears not to be sufficiently clear in its provisions as to enable its requirements to be thoroughly understood. The Imperial Council at its session at Chicago, Ill., in June 1889, voted to hold its annual session for 1890 at San Francisco, Cal. This action was primarily based on the invitation extended by Representative John H. Gray, at the session of 1888, at Toronto, Ontario, but more largely on the representations of Representative Charles L. Field at the Chicago session.

Without going into the detail of personal interviews and individual representations, it was impressed upon the minds of many of the delegates that reduced railroad rates were to be largely a factor in inducing a large attendance both of the representatives and the Nobility generally; and certain influence was to be brought which would render this very important item an assured fact.

The negotiations to this end signally failed—not even a modification of the existing rate being suggested. It then became apparent that the selection of San Francisco as a place of meeting was a mistake, and I firmly believed that the best interests of the Order demanded a change in this particular.

Even after protests had been suggested, and objections raised, I thought it my imperative and sworn duty to call a special meeting to deliberate upon the condition of the Order.

This body is a national assembly, having for its province legislation for the good of all concerned; consequently the more representatives we may gather at our annual sessions, the more thorough and satisfactory our work would be, and if this order is to be placed upon an enduring foundation, it will be largely by reason of wise and thoughtful legislation at the sessions of this Imperial Body.

The day when the individual representative put his hand in his pocket to defray the legislative expenses of his Temple has gone by, and a business rule now governs, and is engrafted on the constitution.

While a session held at any point in our jurisdiction will entail an extraordinary expense upon some, certainly a session held at any other than a central or convenient point, would entail more expense and a consequent smaller attendance, which conditions are certainly not desirable.

A glance at our financial condition will readily show where we are drifting. At the beginning of the year we had a balance of cash in the treasury of about \$11,000.00. Our receipts during the twelve months were about \$9,700.00, and the out-go of the period nearly \$13,300.00, leaving a balance in the treasury of nearly \$7,400.00. It will easily be seen in the light of former experiences what the condition of the treasury will be in the near future.

With this view of our affairs continually before me, the knowledge that our Institution is an expensive one to maintain, and the ready assent of a large majority of our representatives, determined me in my course to call a session at this city.

Whether any action had under the mandatory clause in the constitution may not be reconsidered, appears to be an open question. Among those learned in the law of commerce, there seems to be a diversity of opinion concerning the point at issue. Those who regard a reconsideration, and change of venue, in the manner in which it was proposed to be done, as unconstitutional, quote the decisions of supreme courts in cases where stockholders were to be subjected to pecuniary losses by such similar action; but there are as many of the profession who claim that such decisions and opinions would not bear upon the case as it exists among us.

You, however, are to be the judges, and you must fix the precedent for the future.

OUR FINANCES.

The financial question as alluded to above, merits serious consideration, and another thought in this connection impresses itself upon me.

Section 6, Article III, recites how mileage shall be paid and what shall govern the amount of same, but no provision is made to define the source from which the revenue for such purpose shall accrue and which may be devoted to mileage and per diem purposes. The diploma fee is two (2) dollars, and the annual dues are ten (10) dollars per hundred members. A Temple of two hundred and fifty members creates twenty-five new Nobles, pays into treasury \$30 dues and \$50 diploma fees, sends a representative whose mileage and per diem equals or exceeds this amount, and the Imperial Council has not received a mill of contribution from this subordinate toward the actual running expenses.

I would suggest as a measure of relief that each subordinate Temple be required to pay twenty (20) dollars per hundred members as annual dues, and no Temple less than fifty (50) dollars per annum, and that the diploma fee be increased to four (4) dollars, and that but one-half of the revenue from this source be devoted to mileage and per diem expenses; that is, no representative or representatives shall be entitled to mileage beyond *one-half* the aggregate amount paid to the Imperial Council for annual dues and diploma fees for that year, by such Temple as he or they represent.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I must apologize for the incompleteness of this report in many of its details, but the requirements of a very busy occupation have left me but very little time to devote to the various subjects except in a general way.

I ask your careful consideration of the legislation committed to your

charge, to the end that this Institution, the grandest social organization of its class, may be perpetuated for all time, and that its repute may for the future increase,

“And like a giant standing lonely there
A solitary peak, whose fadeless light
Shines a bright beacon in the upper air.”

Faithfully yours,

SAM. BRIGGS,

Imperial Potentate.

ADDRESS REFERRED TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the address of the Imperial Potentate be received, and be referred to a Special Committee for subdivision and for reference to the appropriate committees.

COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed as the Special Committee on Address :

Noble WAYLAND TRASK,

“ MATHEW R. WOLFF,

“ ETHELBERT F. ALLEN.

ADDRESS TO BE PRINTED.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the Address be printed, and distributed to the Members and Nobles.

In accordance with the Resolution, the Address was printed and distributed to all present.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed the following Standing Committees:

I.—Credentials.

Noble L. P. ECKER,

“ G. H. WALKER,

“ W. N. BALDWIN.

II.—Dispensations and Charters.

Noble RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.

“ JAMES H. THOMPSON,

“ WILLIAM RYAN.

*The Imperial Council.*III.—*Finance and Accounts.*

Noble E. B. JORDAN,
 “ BENJAMIN W. ROWELL,
 “ W. A. STILES.

IV.—*Grievances and Appeals.*

Noble J. B. EAKINS,
 “ G. P. BALMAIN,
 “ E. C. CULP.

V.—*Jurisprudence and Laws.*

Noble WILLIAM B. MELISH,
 “ JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
 “ W. H. MAYO.

VI.—*Mileage and Pay of Representatives.*

Noble J. S. WRIGHT,
 “ SAMUEL E. WATSON,
 “ GEORGE R. METCALF.

And also the following Committees, as sanctioned by the custom prevailing in the past.

VII.—*Foreign Correspondence.*

Noble WILLIAM S. PATERSON,
 “ SAMUEL E. WATSON,
 “ FREDERICK LEIBRANDT.

VIII.—*Ritual.*

Noble JOHN W. BOYLE,
 “ CYRUS W. EATON,
 “ THOMAS J. HUDSON,
 “ GEO. C. CONNOR,
 “ WM. B. MELISH.

IX.—*Deceased Members.*

Noble WILLIAM C. NICKUM,
 “ CHARLES H. HEATON,
 “ J. K. ASHBY.

X.—Transactions of the Imperial Officers.

Noble WAYLAND TRASK,
 “ ETHELBERT F. ALLEN,
 “ MATHEW R. WOLFF.

XI.—Calendar.

SAM. BRIGGS.

REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL TREASURER.

By the IMPERIAL TREASURER the following Annual Report was submitted:

PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 10, 1890.

*To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council,
 A. A. O. N. M. S.:*

Your Imperial Treasurer herewith submits his statement of the moneys received and disbursed by him, from June 17, 1889, to June 10, 1890:

Receipts.

June 17, 1889.	To balance from former Treasurer....	\$10,892 92
“ 29, “	“ Cash from Imperial Recorder.....	\$ 162 00
Sept. 28, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	100 00
Nov. 25, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	100 00
Dec. 16, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	100 00
“ 23, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	200 00
“ 26, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	300 00
“ 28, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	600 00
“ 30, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	600 00
“ 31, “	“ Interest to date	31 61
Jan. 20, 1890.	“ Cash from Imperial Recorder.....	700 00
“ 29, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	300 00
Feb. 6, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	300 00
“ 27, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	500 00
Mch. 3, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	300 00
“ 8, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	1 00
“ 15, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	200 00
“ 31, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	499 00
Apr. 3, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	300 00
“ 28, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	1,000 00
May 12, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	400 00
“ 19, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	400 00
“ 24, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	200 00
“ 31, “	“ “ “ “ “ “	700 00

June 2,	"	"	"	"	"	500 00
" 5,	"	"	"	"	"	500 00
" 7,	"	"	"	"	"	200 00
" 9,	"	"	"	"	"	535 00
						9,728 61
Total.....						\$20,621 53

Disbursements.

1889.	No.		
June 17.	By 183,	Affi Temple donation to sufferers by fire at Seattle, W. T.....	\$ 500 00
" 17.	" 185,	Mileage and per diem, session at Chicago	3,324 39
July 5.	" 180,	Draft by Geo. W. Millar, attached to warrant for relief Johnstown, Pa., sufferers.....	500 00
" 19.	" 184,	W. S. Paterson, testimonial as Imp. Rec.....	500 00
" 23.	" 187,	Sam. Briggs, balance expended Acct. to July 14, 1889	36 00
" 23.	" 188,	Sam. Briggs, contingent fund, to be used by him for his traveling and other Imp. Coun. expenses.....	500 00
Aug. 15.	" 182,	A. H. Kellogg, printing to date per bill, warrant dated June 14	442 50
" 19.	" 186,	Affi Temple, guarantee fee returned.....	100 00
" 29.	" 189,	Geo. W. Millar, expense of John Worthington, same covered by draft drawn of Geo. W. Millar for this amount.....	250 00
Sept. 14.	" 195,	W. H. Andrews & Co., furniture for Imperial Recorder's office.....	98 43
" 14.	" 190,	Frank M. Luce, salary to Sept. 17, 1889.....	150 00
" 14.	" 191,	Frank M. Luce, rent of office ending Sept. 30, 1889	60 00
" 14.	" 192,	Frank M. Luce, postage, expressage, etc., to Sept. 1, 1889.....	95 20
" 14.	" 193,	Pettibone, Wells & Co., printing, stationery, etc., to Sept. 1, 1889.....	96 95
" 16.	" 194,	Chicago Carpet Co., one book case for Imperial Recorder's office.....	18 00
Oct. 5.	" 181,	A. H. Kellogg, balance on printing music books	1,913 00
" 19.	" 200,	W. S. Paterson, salary June 17 to Sept. 17, 1889	150 00
" 29.	" 198,	A. H. Kellogg, printing 500 copies of proceedings, 1889	347 85
" 29.	" 199,	A. H. Kellogg, photo of J. M. Levey, for proceedings of 1889.....	58 50

1890.	No.		
Nov. 13.	By 201,	A. H. Kellogg, 1300 sheets bond paper and engraving for diplomas	125 50
" 14.	" 202,	Sam. Briggs, I. P., traveling expenses and office expenses for July, August, September and October, 1889.....	502 80
" 18.	" 203,	A. H. Kellogg, printing and balance of account to date	687 20
" 19.	" 204,	Shober & Carqueville Litho Co., Diplomas with gold seals	183 12
Dec. 10.	" 205,	Frank M. Luce, office expenses, stamps, expressage, etc., to Nov. 30, 1889	107 10
" 10.	" 206,	Frank M. Luce, salary to Dec. 17, 1889	150 00
" 10.	" 207,	Frank M. Luce, office rent three months ending Dec. 31, 1889.....	60 00
Feb. 14.	" 208,	A. B. Garman, engrossing diplomas.....	61 70
" 21.	" 209,	Sam. Briggs, I. P., traveling and office expenses to Feb. 15, 1890	518 56
Mch. 5.	" 210,	Frank M. Luce, office expenses, postage, expressage, telegrams, etc., three months, ending Feb. 28, 1890.....	148 50
" 5.	" 211,	Frank M. Luce, office rent to March 31, 1890	60 00
" 5.	" 212,	Frank M. Luce, salary three months to March 17, 1890	150 00
Apl. 10.	" 214,	Edward Williams, presentation jewel.....	330 90
" 11.	" 213,	Pettibone, Wells & Co., printing and stationery to April 1, 1890.....	108 10
" 12.	" 213,	A. B. Garman, engrossing 1481 diplomas at 5 cents each.....	74 05
May 8.	" 216,	Chas. H. Heaton, expenses incurred as Deputy of Imperial Council at inspection of Oriental Temple, of Troy, N. Y.....	43 29
June 9.	" 222,	Henry E. Hosley, expenses inspecting Temples at Philadelphia, Washington, Richmond and Baltimore, Feb. 23 to March 6 1890...	174 55
" 9.	" 223,	Pettibone, Wells & Co., printing and stationery to May 31, 1890.....	24 25
" 9.	" 224,	Knight & Leonard Co., printing to May 31, 1890.....	69 50
" 9.	" 221,	W. S. Paterson, office expenses June, July and August, 1889.....	125 34
" 10.	" 217,	Frank M. Luce, one oak cabinet case \$65, and one desk \$25	90 00
" 10,	" 218,	Frank M. Luce, office expenses, postage, expressage, exchanges, etc., three months, March, April and May, 1890.....	151 70

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1890.	No.		
June 10.	By 219.	Frank M. Luce, three months' office rent, ending June 30, 1890.....	60 00
" 10.	" 221.	Frank M. Luce, salary three months, ending June 17, 1890	150 00
Total expenditures			\$13,296 08

Recapitulation.

June 10, 1890,	Total amount of receipts.....	\$20,621 53
" 10, 1890,	" " " disbursements....	13,296 08
Balance of cash on hand		\$ 7,325 45
All of which is respectfully submitted.		

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
Imperial Treasurer.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL TREASURER'S REPORT.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the Report of the Imperial Treasurer be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL RECORDER.

Annual Report of the IMPERIAL RECORDER was presented as follows:

CHICAGO, June 10, 1890.

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Imperial Recorder respectfully submits the following Report for the year from June 17, 1889, to June 10, 1890:

IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

At the close of last Annual Session, and to the present time, there are:

No. of Members of the Imperial Council	73
" Representatives of Temples in the East	3
" Emeriti Members.....	6
" Temples that have been Chartered to date	48
Temples under Dispensation to date.....	5

REPORTS OF TEMPLES.

The Reports which have been received from the various Temples are given in the table herewith.

The Officers of the various Temples are given at the end of these Proceedings.

A Recapitulation of the Annual Reports from all the Temples shows the following totals:

No. Nobles on December 31, 1888.....	10,377
“ “ Entered the Unseen Temple	84
“ “ Dimitted.....	185
“ “ Suspended	48
“ “ Expelled	5
Decrease in members	322
Leaving a total of	10,055
No. Nobles Created to December 31, 1889, in Temples	3,500
“ “ Affiliated and restored to date	62
“ “ In Temples under Dispensation, Charter members	21
Total increase in Nobles.....	3,583
Total number of Nobles, Dec.31, 1889	13,638

TEMPLES.	LOCATION.	Members Dec. 31, 1888.	Died.	Dimitted.	Suspended. Expelled.	Created.	Affiliated. Restored.	Charter Members.	Members Dec. 31, 1889.	Created in Temples U. D. Jan. 1 to June 30, 1890.	Membership of Temples U. D. June 10, 1890.
1 Abdallah	Leavenworth	80	1	6	1	47	1	...	120		
2 Acca	Richmond	97	3	4	9	14	1	...	96		
3 Affi	Tacoma	55				16	4	...	75		
4 Aleppo	Boston	704	3	4	...	335	1	...	1,033		
5 Algeria	Helena	69				35		...	104		
6 Alhambra, U. D.	Chattanooga					15		7	22	10	32
7 Al Kader	Portland	46				18	1	...	65		
8 Al Koran	Cleveland	349	3	7	11	67	1	...	396		
9 Al Malaikah	Los Angeles	55				81	1	...	137		
10 Almas	Washington	131	2	2	4	77	1	...	201		
11 Ararat	Kansas City	109				36		...	145		
12 Ballut Abyad	Albuquerque	28				2		...	30		
13 Boumi	Baltimore	202	2	2	...	42		...	240		
14 Cyprus	Albany	101	2			27		...	126		
15 Damascus	Rochester	280	3	19	1	37		...	294		
16 El Jebel	Denver	253		2		148	3	...	402		
17 El Kahir	Cedar Rapids	219	4			89	1	...	305		
18 El Riad	Sioux Falls	59				46		...	105		
19 El Zagal, U. D.	Fargo							7	7	55	62
20 Hella	Dallas	86		2		55	1	...	140		
21 Isis	Salina	158	3	5	...	62		...	212		
22 Islam	San Francisco	215	3	1	...	104		...	315		
23 Ismailia	Buffalo	129	1			99	22	...	249		
24 Jerusalem	New Orleans	42	1		1	14		...	54		
25 Kaaba	Davenport	52		1	...	40		...	91		
26 Kismet	Brooklyn	171	1			79	4	...	253		
27 Kosair	Louisville	132		3	1	16		...	144		
28 Lu Lu	Philadelphia	912	10	7	3	237	4	...	1,133		
29 Mecca	New York	1,239	14	5	1	183	2	...	1,404		
30 Medinah	Chicago	812	4	22	7	187	1	...	967		
31 Moila	Saint Joseph	56				19	1	...	76		
32 Moolah	Saint Louis	179	1	3	3	42	3	...	217		
33 Morocco	Jacksonville	16	1	1		1		...	15		
34 Moslem	Detroit	306	2	2	...	113	1	...	416		
35 Mount Sinai	Montpelier	146	2			44		...	188		
36 Murat	Indianapolis	232	3	1	2	68		...	294		
37 Oriental	Troy	173				58	1	...	232		
38 Osiris	Wheeling	59				52		...	111		
39 Osman	Saint Paul	165	2	2	...	60	1	...	222		
40 Palestine	Providence	89		11	...	108		...	186		
41 Pyramid	Bridgeport	340	1	1		77	2	...	417		
42 Rameses	Toronto	55	1			26		...	80		
43 Sahara, U. D.	Pine Bluff	23		1	...	20		...	42	10	52
44 Salaam	Olney	38				1		...	37		
45 Saladin	Grand Rapids	159		3	1	39		...	194		
46 Sesostris	Lincoln	80		48		50		...	82		
47 Syria	Pittsburgh	461	6	10		171		...	616		
48 Syrian	Cincinnati	347	5	6	8	108	2	...	438		
49 Tangier, U. D.	Omaha	137		1	...	24		...	160	17	177
50 Tripoli	Milwaukee	184				24		...	208		
51 Yaarab, U. D.	Atlanta					23	2	7	32	37	69
52 Ziyara	Utica	178		2		149		...	325		
53 Zuhrah	Minneapolis	169				16		...	185		
Totals		10,377	84	185	53	3,500	62	21	13,638	129	392

Receipts.

There have been received for Fees, Dues, etc., for the year ending June 10, 1890, from the following Temples:

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Total.
Nov. 1, 1889	Abdallah		\$ 14 00			
Feb. 5, 1890	"	\$30 00	12 00			
Mar. 25, "	"		1 00			
May 28, "	"		82 00			\$129 00
Jan. 10, "	Acca	10 00	28 00			38 00
" 3, "	Afifi	10 00				
" 21, "	"		32 00			
Mar. 6, "	"		22 00			64 00
Nov. 1, 1889	Aleppo		148 00			
Dec. 9, "	"		220 00			
Jan. 2, 1890	"	110 00	24 00			
" 31, "	"		108 00			
April 1, "	"		117 00			
June 2, "	"		230 00			957 00
" 14, 1889	Algeria		4 00			
Nov. 1, "	"		14 00			
Dec. 22, "	"		32 00			
Jan. 3, 1890	"	20 00	4 00			
Feb. 8, "	"		20 00			
April 6, "	"		20 00			
" 12, "	"		1 00			115 00
Sept. 11, 1889	Alhambra		147 00	\$10 00	\$150 00	
May 19, 1890	"	10 00	34 00			351 00
Mar. 4, "	Al Kader	10 00	36 00			46 00
June 26, 1889	Al Koran		96 00			
" 27, "	"		1 00			
Feb. 3, 1890	"	40 00	36 00			
" 26, "	"		48 00			
" 27, "	"		2 00			
Mar. 6, "	"		1 00			
May 19, "	"		84 00			308 00
Nov. 15, 1889	Al Malaikah		48 00			
Jan. 2, 1890	"	20 00				
" 2, "	"		96 00			
Feb. 5, "	"			10 00		
April 1, "	"		16 00			190 00
July 30, 1889	Almas		34 00			
Nov. 20, "	"		42 00			
Jan. 8, 1890	"	30 00	38 00			144 00
Feb. 24, "	Ararat		44 00			
" 24, "	"	20 00	38 00			
April 3, "	"		16 00			
May 14, "	"		88 00			206 00
Nov. 14, 1889	Ballut Abyad		5 00			
April 21, 1890	"		2 00			
May 3, "	"		4 00			11 00
Sept. 11, 1889	Boumi			15 00		
Jan. 6, 1890	"	30 00	40 00			85 00
Carried forward		\$ 330 00	\$2,129 00	\$35 00	\$150 00	\$2,644 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Totals.
Brought forward		\$330 00	\$2,129 00	\$35 00	\$150 00	\$2,644 00
Feb. 3, 1890	Cyprus	20 00	54 00			74 00
July 20, 1889	Damascus		2 00			
Sept. 2, "	"		52 00			
May 24, 1890	"	30 00				
June 2, "	"		22 00			106 00
Nov. 1, 1889	El Jebel		120 00			
Jan. 2, 1890	"	50 00	18 00			
Jan. 10, "	"		3 00			
May 2, "	"		40 00			231 00
Nov. 1, 1889	El Kahir		84 00			
Feb. 5, 1890	"	40 00	30 00			
April 3, 1890	"		36 00			190 00
Sept. 2, 1889	El Riad		34 00			
Nov. 10, "	"		38 00			
April 1, 1890	"	20 00	14 00			106 00
Nov. 13, 1889	El Zagal		54 00	15 00	150 00	
April 5, 1890	"		110 00			
May 23, "	"	10 00				339 00
June 17, 1889	Hella		1 00			
" 26, "	"		8 00			
Nov. 1, "	"		3 00			
Dec. 1, "	"		18 00			
" 27, "	"		2 00			
Jan. 21, 1890	"	20 00				
April 21, "	"		130 00			
June 6, "	"		12 00			194 00
Sept. 2, 1889	Isis		4 00			
Dec. 4, "	"		2 00			
April 3, 1890	"	30 00	124 00			
" 3, "	"		56 00			216 00
Jan. 13, "	Islam	40 00	208 00			248 00
July 20, 1889	Ismailia		8 00			
Dec. 6, "	"		72 00			
Jan. 8, 1890	"	30 00	14 00			
April 16, "	"		5 00			
May 15, "	"		32 00			161 00
Nov. 1, 1889	Jerusalem		28 00			
May 22, 1890	"	10 00				38 00
Aug. 8, 1889	Kaaba		8 00			
" 8, "	"		4 00			
Sept. 13, "	"		11 00			
Nov. 1, "	"		24 00			
" 15, "	"		34 00			
Jan. 2, 1890	"	10 00				
" 21, "	"		4 00			
Mar. 8, "	"		4 00			
April 5, "	"		12 00			
June 2, "	"		12 00			123 00
Jan. 10, "	Kismet	30 00	74 00			104 00
Sept. 5, 1889	Kosair		14 00			
Carried forward		\$670 00	\$4,768 00	\$50 00	\$300 00	\$4,774 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Total.
Brought forward		\$670 00	\$4,768 00	\$50 00	\$ 300 00	\$4,774 00
Jan. 2, 1890	Kosair	20 00	18 00			
April 26, "	"		24 00			76 00
June 5, "	"		474 00			594 00
Jan. 8, "	Lu Lu	120 00	78 00			
Nov. 1, 1889	Mecca		52 00			
" 11, "	"		36 00			
Dec. 4, "	"		32 00			
Jan. 18, 1890	"	150 00	22 00			
" 31, "	"		1 00			
Mar. 22, "	"		60 00			431 00
May 1, "	"		289 00			
June 2, "	Medinah		173 00			562 00
" 2, "	"	100 00	38 00			
Mar. 18, "	Moila	10 00	2 00			50 00
April 6, "	"		84 00			114 00
Mar. 18, "	Moolah	30 00	10 00			10 00
Feb. 19, "	Morocco	10 00	1 00			
Aug. 20, 1889	Moslem		2 00			
Nov. 1, "	"		134 00			
Jan. 30, 1890	"	50 00	1 00			188 00
Feb. 3, "	"		50 00			
July 15, 1889	Mount Sinai		1 00			
Sept. 2, 1889	" "		20 00			
Nov. 18, "	" "		2 00			
Dec. 16, "	" "	20 00	2 00			
Feb. 17, 1890	" "		6 00			101 00
May 12, "	" "		6 00			
July 20, 1889	Murat		2 00			
Sept. 10, "	"		3 00			
Nov. 1, "	"		70 00			
Jan. 4, 1890	"	30 00	1 00			
" 10, "	"		56 00			168 00
April 8, "	"		20 00			
Nov. 1, 1889	Oriental		30 00			
Jan. 14, 1890	"	30 00	48 00			
Mar. 20, "	"		32 00			
May 5, "	"		28 00			158 00
Nov. 25, 1889	Osiris		36 00			
Dec. 9, "	"		6 00			
Feb. 17, 1890	"	20 00				62 00
Nov. 1, 1889	Osman		14 00			
" 16, "	"		36 00			
Jan. 11, 1890	"	30 00				
" 18, "	"		24 00			
Mar. 1, "	"		16 00			
April 12, "	"		30 00			150 00
Jan. 18, "	Palestine	20 00	216 00			236 00
June 26, 1889	Pyramid		52 00			
Nov. 1, "	"		62 00			
Feb. 5, 1890	"	50 00	106 00			
Carried forward		\$1,360 00	\$7,234 00	\$50 00	\$ 300 00	\$7,674 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispensations.	Total.
Brought forward		\$1,360 00	\$7,234 00	\$50 00	\$ 300 00	\$7,764 00
May 12, "	Pyramid.		88 00			
" 28, "	"		1 00			359 00
Jan. 21, "	Rameses	10 00	12 00			22 00
Sept. 5, 1889	Sahara.		22 00			
Nov. 1, "	"		8 00			
" 21, "	"		10 00			
Jan. 11, 1890	"	10 00				
Feb. 3, "	"		10 00			
Mar. 25, "	"		10 00			70 00
Jan. 4, "	Salaam.	10 00				
Mar. 20, "	"			10 00		
April 22, "	"		4 00			24 00
Dec. 17, 1889	Saladin		1 00			
" 31, "	"	20 00	4 00			
Feb. 3, 1890	"		1 00	10 00		
Mar. 1, "	"		76 00			
May 17, "	"		26 00			138 00
July 20, 1889	Sesostris		2 00			
Sept. 2, "	"		50 00			
Feb. 18, 1890	"	10 00	24 00			86 00
Jan. 2, "	Syria.	70 00	192 00			
Mar. 4, "	"		40 00			
" 22, "	"		38 00			
April 20, "	"		22 00			362 00
May 17, "	Syrian	50 00	216 00			266 00
Mar. 12, "	Tangier.		48 00			
April 1, "	"		34 00			82 00
Feb. 24, "	Tripoli.	30 00	48 00			78 00
Dec. 2, 1889	Yanrab.		135 00	5 00	150 00	
Jan. 16, 1890	"	10 00	56 00			356 00
Dec. 19, 1889	Ziyara		84 00			
Jan. 20, 1890	"	40 00				124 00
Feb. 3, "	Zuhrah	20 00	24 00			
Mar. 1, "	"		12 00			56 00
Totals		\$1,640 00	\$7,532 00	\$75 00	\$450 00	\$9,697 00

Recapitulation of above receipts.

Receipts for Dispensation Fees	\$ 450 00
" " Annual Dues	1,640 00
" " Diploma Fees	7,532 00
" " Rituals	75 00

Total paid Imperial Treasurer\$9,697 00

Several bills which were contracted for previous to June 17, 1889, have been paid since the last Imperial Council meeting. The Imperial Council is now entirely free from debt, and has a balance of \$7,325.45 in the treasury.

FRANK M. LUCE,
Imperial Recorder.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL RECORDER'S REPORT.

On Motion it was—

Resolved, That the Annual Report of the Imperial Recorder be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts presented the following Report:

To the Imperial Potentate and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Committee on Finance and Accounts beg to submit the following Report:

We have carefully examined the financial accounts of the Imperial Treasurer and the Imperial Recorder, and the printed report of the same, and submit the following:

Your Committee recommend that five hundred copies of the Proceedings of the special session of the Imperial Council be printed, at an expense not to exceed three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350).

We recommend that the Imperial Recorder for the ensuing year be paid the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), the same to cover all services rendered to the Imperial Council, including salary, office rent, office expenses, and engrossing diplomas, this sum not to cover stationery, printing, postage or expressage.

We find that the sum of \$206.43 has been expended for permanent fixtures for the office of the Imperial Recorder, which thereby become the property of this Imperial Council.

We find the amount of Cash in the Treasury, as per reports, to be seven thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars and forty-five cents (\$7,325.45).

We find that no vouchers or warrants are in existence in the offices of the Imperial Recorder or Treasurer prior to June 1889, they having not been turned over to the present incumbents.

We recommend that in view of the expense entailed in the past for visiting and inspecting Temples by the Imperial Potentate and deputies, that during the coming year, unless in case of some extraordinary circumstance, these visits be dispensed with.

We recommend that the matter of increasing the dues, price for diplomas, be referred to the Imperial Council without comment.

We cannot too highly commend the generosity of the Imperial Treasurer, Joseph S. Wright, in allowing interest on the funds in his hands belonging to the Imperial Council.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD B. JORDAN,
BENJAMIN W. ROWELL,
WILLIAM A. STILES,
Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the Recommendations were adopted.

The following telegram from Noble Irving W. Pratt was received:

PORTLAND, OREGON, June 22, 1890.

Frank M. Luce, Imperial Recorder, Pittsburgh, Pa.:

Al Kader sends greeting, present in spirit and good wishes.

I. W. PRATT.

The following communication was also received:

OASIS OF BUFFALO, N. Y., June 16, 1890.

To the Members of Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S. of the United States of America:

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLES AND FRATERS: Possibly one of the greatest disappointments for me during the year 1890, is in the fact that my personal duties prevent me from joining the caravan at Pittsburgh.

In the name of Allah, you will receive greeting, aye, sumptuous greeting from that prince of men and prince of Shayk's (Hudson): may he increase in Arabic knowledge and the precious seed which has been sown by him for the benefit of our Noble Order, bear great and continued fruit, in the smoky oasis of Pittsburgh.

May the deliberations of this special meeting result in great good to every member or representative; may harmony prevail at all times, and the never ending argument for nobler deeds, for higher thoughts, for greater achievements, be instilled in each and every heart.

With kindest remembrance to you all, I remain as ever,

Yours in the faith,

C. W. CUSHMAN,
Potentate.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS.

The Special Committee on the Annual Address presented the following Report:

The Committee to whom the Address of the Imperial Potentate for subdivision and reference to appropriate Committees, offer the following as their Report:

FIRST. We sincerely congratulate the Order upon the continued prosperity, as shown in the very able Report of Ill. Sam. Briggs, Imperial Potentate, aided, undoubtedly, by the untiring work of the Imperial Potentate, Recorder and Treasurer.

SECOND. We are happy to say we have nothing to report to the Committee on Deceased Members.

THIRD. That portion of the Address relating to the transactions of Imperial Officers be referred to the Committee on Transactions of the Imperial Officers.

FOURTH. That that portion referring to Dispensations and Charters be referred to the Committee appointed to review such matter.

FIFTH. That that portion of the Address relating to Correspondence be referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

SIXTH. That portion of the Address relating and referring to Finance and Accounts be referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

SEVENTH. That the matter of the difficulty between Medinah and Salaam Temples be referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

EIGHTH. That portion of the Address referring to Jurisprudence and Laws, also Revenue, Proxies, Emeriti Members and Resignation be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

NINTH. This Committee heartily endorses the suggestions of the Imperial Potentate, in consideration of using the emblems of the Order for improper purposes.

TENTH. That that portion of the Address referring to Rituals and revision of Rituals be referred to the Committee on Rituals.

ELEVENTH. That it is the opinion of this Committee that the stamp of condemnation be placed upon the acts of the Past Member of this Imperial Council in unlawfully withholding the copy of the Ritual belonging to this Imperial Council, and this Committee earnestly recommend that the Imperial Potentate adopt such measures as will insure the return of the said Ritual.

TWELFTH. This Committee recommends the approval of the various decisions be referred to Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

WAYLAND TRASK,

MATHEW R. WOLFF,

ETHELBERT F. ALLEN,

Committee.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on Address was received and the subjects were ordered to be referred as recommended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals presented the following Report:

To the Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals beg leave to submit the following Report:

The only matter submitted to your Committee was the complaint of Salaam Temple of Olney, Illinois, against Medinah Temple, of Chicago, Illinois.

The Potentates of both Temples were before your Committee and seemed disposed to come to some harmonious conclusion.

It appears from the statement of Ill. John A. May, Potentate of Medinah Temple, that since the last session of the Imperial Council there has been no clash of authority between the two Temples named, and at the same time Salaam Temple has done no work, except upon one candidate.

We recommend that all work heretofore done be considered as having been done in good faith; and considering the geographical location of Salaam Temple, which gives it jurisdiction over two-thirds of the State of Illinois, we would recommend to the Imperial Council that it gives to these two Temples concurrent jurisdiction in that State.

JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
GEORGE P. BALMAIN,
EDWARD C. CULP,
Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the Recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

Report of Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws was presented as follows:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your Committee on Jurisdiction and Laws, after consideration of the various statutes now before the Imperial Council, and the decision of the Imperial Potentate, as well as the by-laws of various Temples, and the special matters referred to this Committee to-day by the adoption of the report of the Committee as Topical reference, beg leave to report.

FIRST. We recommend the approval of the by-laws of the following Temples; with the changes noted in them, viz.:

Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kansas.
Ballut Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, N. M.
Oriental Temple, Troy, New York.
Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I.
Salaam Temple, Olney, Illinois.

We recommend the approval of the decisions of the Imperial Potentate as made to Alhambra and Tangier Temples without change.

We recommend the approval and adoption of the following decisions, with slight change in wording, viz.:

To Kosair Temple, as follows:

"The right to object to any visiting Noble is inherent with every Noble in good standing, unless the Noble visits in an official capacity; but no member in good standing can be objected to, expelled from or ordered out of his own Temple at the request of another member, except upon charges made, trial, conviction and sentence." The balance of the decision we find already a part of the Constitution.

General Decision approved as follows:

"Temples may open and confer the Order at any place within their jurisdiction, notice being given of such intent, and candidates having been previously legally elected; but no other business can be transacted at such session except the necessary preliminaries toward conferring the Order.

To Ballut Abyad Temple:

This decision we cannot approve. In our opinion; "A Temple under Dispensation has no right to elect officers, nor is a Potentate of a Temple under Dispensation entitled to the rank of a Past Potentate".

We approve the latter part of the decision to this Temple to read as follows: "When a Charter is granted the members of the Temple receiving it must hold an election of officers as soon after its reception as possible."

To Damascus Temple:

In the decision to Damascus Temple we recommend a change to read as follows: "A Potentate, Chief Rabban and Assistant Rabban cannot resign after having been duly elected and installed. Any other officer of a Temple may resign his office. No member can be forced to accept an election to an office."

We recommend that the decision made to Past Imperial Potentate, Walter M. Fleming, with the following change, so as to read: "Any acts of duly authorized Deputies of the Imperial Council, executed by virtue of such authority prior to the abolition of such office, were legal acts and are still in force unless now in conflict with the Constitution, Laws or edicts of this Imperial Council."

The last decision in the address of the Imperial Potentate regarding the sovereignty of Temples, etc., is recommended for approval with the addition of the words "except by action of the Imperial Council" in lieu of the words "unless by authority of law."

We recommend the approval of the following amendments to the Constitution, all of which have been properly presented and laid over, as required by law, viz.:

FIRST. To amend Section I. of Article III. so that it shall read: "Each Temple shall be further entitled to one additional Representative for every three hundred members, and one for each fraction over three hundred members in its number of membership, but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

SECOND. To amend Section II. of Article III. to read: "The Representatives shall be chosen as follows: Each Temple shall *Annually* elect by ballot, etc."

THIRD. To amend Section I. of Article XI. so that it shall read: "The following standing committees, each consisting of five members shall be appointed, etc."

FOURTH. To amend Section II. of Article XIII. so that it shall read: "No Dispensation shall be issued unless the petition shall be submitted to the nearest Temple of the Order in the State or Territory; but, in the event of

the refusal of said nearest Temple to grant consent, it shall be within the power of the Imperial Council, duly assembled, to grant said Dispensation without said consent, should they deem it for the best interests of the Order to do so. When an application for a Dispensation in unoccupied territory is received, etc."

FIFTH. To add to Section I. of Article XIV.: "Provided, also, that the Imperial Council may declare concurrent jurisdiction between all Temples in States where more than one Temple exists, should it appear for the best interests of the Order to do so, but only after said disputing Temples have failed to agree upon concurrent jurisdiction or an equitable division of territory."

SIXTH. To amend Section V. of Article III. to read: "All Past Imperial Potentates shall be Representatives *ad vitam*. The Imperial Council may, at its pleasure, elect any member of the Order as an *Emeritus* member of the Imperial Council. Said *Emeritus* member or members shall have a voice in the Proceedings of the Imperial Council, but shall have no privileges or emoluments."

SEVENTH. To amend Section II. of Article IV. of the Constitution by substituting "Annual" for "Triennial" in the second line of Section II., and the same change in Section III., it being understood that this change does not go into effect until the close of the triennial term, for which the present officers of the Imperial Council have been elected.

Your Committee would also present for adoption the following section to the Constitution (Section III., Article XXIV.) which, under the law, is to lie over until the next session of the Imperial Council:

"Section III. The Imperial Council shall be competent, upon the concurrence of three-fourths of its members present at any session, to revise, amend and alter this Constitution; provided, however, that any member intending to submit to a motion relative to a change of the Constitution, Statutes, or Rituals, shall give notice thereof in writing, to the Imperial Recorder, at least two months before the day on which the session shall be held, at which such subject is to be discussed, and notice thereof shall be inserted in the summons; otherwise no such motion shall be entertained.

Provided, further, that the proposed amendments may be modified in any manner by the Imperial Council, while the same is under consideration. No modification, however, shall be made not germane to the matter contained in the original proposed amendment."

Also the following:

"To strike out the words "Annual" in Section III. and Section VI. of Article II. Also the word "Triennial" in Section II. and Section III. of Article IV."

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM B. MELISH,
JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
WILLIAM H. MAYO,

Committee.

The Report was on motion received, the Recommendations were adopted, with the exception of the second item, To amend Section II. of Article III. to read: "The Representatives shall be chosen as follows: Each Temple shall annually elect by ballot, etc."

The Amendments to the Constitution were laid over to the next Annual Session for action.

After the decision of the Imperial Council in regard to changing Section II. of Article III., Noble William B. Melish offered the following amendment to the Constitution, which, under the law, was laid over until the next session. Motion to amend Section II. of Article III. so as to read: "The Representatives shall be chosen as follows: Each Temple shall annually elect by ballot, etc."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Committee on Credentials presented the following Report:

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council.
A. A. O. N. M. S.:

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to make the following Report:

Credentials of the following Nobles have been presented to your Committee, and being in due form, properly signed and sealed, we respectfully recommend their admission to membership in this Imperial Council:

Thomas J. Hudson, George P. Balmain, Benjamin Darlington, and Americus V. Holmes, of Syria Temple, Pittsburgh.

Frank T. Gilbert, Ismailia Temple, of Buffalo.

William Ryan, Kosair Temple, of Louisville.

Henry H. McGaffey, Murat Temple, of Indianapolis.

William H. Brazier, Tripoli Temple, of Milwaukee, Wis.

Frank J. Hard, El Jebel Temple, of Denver.

Dwight Byington, Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan.

Yours in the faith,

LOUIS P. ECKER,

GEORGE H. WALKER,

WILLIAM N. BALDWIN,

Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, the Committee was discharged with the thanks of the Imperial Council, and the recommendation was adopted.

On motion, it was resolved that the Representatives of the Temples which have been granted Charters at this session be entitled to seats and per diem and mileage.

Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS.

On Dispensations and Charters, the Committee presented the following Report:

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensations respectfully report:

We recommend that Charters be granted to:

Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

El Zagal Temple, Fargo, North Dakota.

Sahara Temple, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Tangier Temple, Omaha, Nebraska.

Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Georgia.

As the showing of each Temple is worthy of commendation.

We would respectfully suggest to the Imperial Council that hereafter all Dispensations granted by the Imperial Potentate, together with all records, correspondence, etc., be submitted to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations when asking for a Charter.

RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.,

JAMES H. THOMPSON,

WILLIAM RYAN,

Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE.

By the Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives the following Report was presented:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives of the Imperial Council beg leave to recommend that the Representatives to the Imperial Council be paid mileage at the rate of three cents per mile each way traveled, computed by the shortest railroad route, and that they be allowed per diem for three days, at the rate of five dollars a day.

The Committee also report that, in cases where the amount of receipts from the Temples for the past year is less than the amount of mileage for their Representatives, the latter amount was limited to the receipts from such Temples for the past year.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the amounts set opposite to the names of the Representatives and officers be paid, as follows:

REPRESENTATIVES.

Noble Dwight Byington	Abdallah Temple,	\$74 25
" Louis P. Ecker	Acca	" 38 00
" James A. Fox	Aleppo	" 57 35
" Henry E. Hosley	"	" 57 35

Representatives—Continued.

Noble	Frank Locke.....	Aleppo Temple,	\$57 35
"	Benjamin W. Rowell.....	" "	57 35
"	Wm. N. Baldwin.....	Algeria "	115 00
"	A. N. Sloan.....	Alhambra "	53 95
"	Richard P. Marvin, Jr.....	Al Koran "	23 10
"	Sam. Briggs.....	" "	23 10
"	Horace W. Hubbard.....	" "	23 10
"	George H. Walker.....	Almas "	37 50
"	Ethelbert F. Allen.....	Ararat "	72 35
"	William C. Nickum.....	Boumi "	35 00
"	Thomas J. Bishop.....	Cyprus "	60 95
"	Frank J. Hard.....	El Jebel "	110 70
"	Cyrus W. Eaton.....	El Kahir "	56 20
"	Rufus E. Fleming.....	El Zagal "	82 65
"	Joseph K. Ashby.....	Hella "	94 00
"	Edward C. Culp.....	Isis "	82 65
"	Frank T. Gilbert.....	Ismailia "	37 05
"	Lewis P. Dosh.....	Kaaba "	54 05
"	Wayland Trask.....	Kismet "	41 65
"	William Ryan.....	Kosair "	40 35
"	E. S. Bartlett.....	Lu Lu "	36 20
"	Edward B. Jordan.....	" "	36 20
"	Frederick Leibbrandt.....	" "	36 20
"	Joseph S. Wright.....	" "	36 20
"	Joseph B. Eakins.....	Mecca "	41 65
"	George W. Millar.....	" "	41 65
"	James McGee.....	" "	41 65
"	William S. Paterson.....	" "	41 65
"	Frank M. Luce.....	Medinah "	43 05
"	John A. May.....	" "	43 05
"	William A. Stiles.....	" "	43 05
"	James H. Thompson.....	" "	43 05
"	William H. Mayo.....	Moolah "	52 35
"	William M. Bailey.....	Moslem "	34 20
"	Bruce Goodfellow.....	" "	34 20
"	Charles H. Heaton.....	Mount Sinai "	61 00
"	Henry H. McGaffey.....	Murat "	37 85
"	Henry Stowell.....	Oriental "	50 50
"	Mathew R. Wolff.....	Osiris "	18 95
"	George R. Metcalf.....	Osman "	67 65
"	Thaddeus B. Beecher.....	Pyramid "	45 00
"	Julius W. Knowlton.....	" "	45 00
"	Marcus L. Bell.....	Sahara "	70 00
"	Gideon D. Slanker.....	Salaam "	24 00

Representatives—Continued.

Noble Samuel E. Watson.....	Saladin Temple, \$42 00
“ Thomas J. Hudson.....	Syria “ 15 00
“ Benjamin Darlington	“ “ 15 00
“ George P. Balmain	“ “ 15 00
“ A. V. Holmes	“ “ 15 00
“ William B. Melish	Syrian “ 33 75
“ William Michie.....	“ “ 33 75
“ Gustave Anderson.....	Tangier “ 73 05
“ William H. Brazier.....	Tripoli “ 48 20
“ John W. Boyle	Ziyara “ 43 20
“ Joseph L. Dobbin.....	Zuhrah “ 56 00

Total mileage for 1889.....\$2,800 05

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
SAMUEL E. WATSON,
GEORGE R. METCALF,

Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the recommendations were adopted.

ACTION REGARDING ANNUAL SESSION FOR 1890.

To reconsider the action of the Imperial Council, had at the Fifteenth Annual Session held at Chicago, on the 17th of June, 1889, by which action the Annual Session of the Imperial Council for 1890, was to be held at the City of San Francisco, California, and to provide a more convenient place for the Session, or to dispense with the same.

On motion, it was resolved, that this Special Meeting of the Imperial Council convened in the City of Pittsburgh, Pa., on Monday, June 23, 1890, shall take the place of the Annual Session of the Imperial Council for 1890, which was to be held in the City of San Francisco, California.

On motion, it was resolved, that a vote be taken by roll-call, each Representative answering as his name is called. The vote resulted as follows:

IN FAVOR OF DISPENSING WITH THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR 1890.

Louis P. Ecker.....	Acca Temple.....	Richmond, Va.
James A. Fox.....	Aleppo “	Boston, Mass.
Frank Locke.....	“ “	“ “
William N. Baldwin.....	Algeria “	Helena, Montana.
Sam. Briggs.....	Al Koran “	Cleveland, O.
Richard P. Marvin, Jr....	“ “	“ “
Horace W. Hubbard.....	“ “	“ “
A. N. Sloan.....	Alhambra “	Chattanooga, Tenn.

George H. Walker.....	Almas Temple	.....	Washington, D. C.
William C. Nickum	Boumi	"	Baltimore, Md.
Thomas J. Bishop.....	Cyprus	"	Albany, N. Y.
Rufus E. Fleming.....	El Zagal	"	Fargo, N. D.
Edward C. Culp.....	Isis	"	Salina, Kansas.
Frank T. Gilbert.....	Ismailia	"	Buffalo, N. Y.
Wayland Trask.....	Kismet	"	Brooklyn, N. Y.
Joseph S. Wright.....	Lu Lu	"	Philadelphia, Pa.
Edward B. Jordan.....	"	"	"
Frederick Leibbrandt.....	"	"	"
Ezra S. Bartlett.....	"	"	"
William H. Mayo.....	Moolah	"	St. Louis, Mo.
Bruce Goodfellow.....	Moslem	"	Detroit, Mich.
William M. Bailey.....	"	"	"
Henry H. McGaffey.	Murat	"	Indianapolis, Ind.
Mathew R. Wolff.....	Osiris	"	Wheeling, W. Va.
Marcus L. Bell.....	Sahara	"	Pine Bluff, Ark.
Gideon D. Slanker.....	Salaam	"	Olney, Ill.
Thomas J. Hudson.....	Syria	"	Pittsburgh, Pa.
George P. Balmain.....	"	"	"
Benjamin Darlington.....	"	"	"
Americus V. Holmes.....	"	"	"
William B. Melish.....	Syrian	"	Cincinnati, O.
William Michie.....	"	"	"
Gustave Anderson.....	Tangier	"	Omaha, Neb.
William H. Brazier.....	Tripoli	"	Milwaukee, Wis.
John W. Boyle.....	Ziyara	"	Utica, N. Y.
Joseph L. Dobbin.....	Zuhrah	"	Minneapolis, Minn.

OPPOSED TO DISPENSING WITH THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR 1890.

Dwight Byington.....	Abdallah Temple	.....	Leavenworth, Kansas.
Henry E. Hosley.....	Aleppo	"	Boston, Mass.
Benjamin W. Rowell.....	"	"	"
Frank J. Hard.....	El Jebel	"	Denver, Colo.
Cyrus W. Eaton.....	El Kahir	"	Cedar Rapids, Ia.
Joseph K. Ashby.....	Hella	"	Dallas, Texas.
Lewis P. Dosh.....	Kaaba	"	Davenport, Ia.
William Ryan.....	Kosair	"	Louisville, Ky.
Joseph B. Eakins.....	Mecca	"	New York, N. Y.
George W. Millar.....	"	"	"
James McGee.....	"	"	"
William S. Paterson.....	"	"	"
John A. May.....	Medinah	"	Chicago, Ill.
William A. Stiles.....	"	"	"

Frank M. Luce	Medinah Temple.....	Chicago, Ill.
James H. Thompson.	" "	" "
Charles H. Heaton.....	Mount Sinai "	Montpelier, Vt.
Henry Stowell.....	Oriental "	Troy, N. Y.
George R. Metcalf.....	Osman "	St. Paul, Minn.
Thaddeus B. Beecher.....	Pyramid "	Bridgeport, Conn.
Julius W. Knowlton.....	" "	" "
Samuel E. Watson..	Saladin "	Grand Rapids, Mich.

The ballot resulted in thirty-six being in favor of dispensing with the San Francisco meeting, and twenty-two opposing the same. The resolution was therefore carried.

BILLS TO BE AUDITED.

Resolved, That the Finance Committee have the power of auditing all bills, subject to the endorsement of the Imperial Potentate, and no bill shall be paid unless it goes through such process.

The Resolution was, under the Constitution, laid over from the last Annual Session for action. Adopted.

CHANGE IN RITUAL.

To consider the following resolution offered by Noble Geo. R. Metcalf at the Fifteenth Annual Session:

Resolved, That on page 19 of the Ritual, at the end of the third line, there be added the following words: "Of the obedience of the Supreme Councils of the Northern and Southern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, or of some Supreme Council in communion and amity with these and recognized as legal and lawful by them; nor will I at any subsequent time unite myself to any so-called Scottish Rite Body, which may be pronounced illegal and clandestine by the Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine."

Referred to Committee on Ritual.

COMMITTEE ON RITUAL.

On motion it was

Resolved, That a Committee of five, to be appointed by the Imperial Potentate, shall be appointed at the Special Session to be held at Pittsburgh, June 23, 1890, to revise the Ritual. That said Committee shall have power to make such changes, alterations, amendments or additions to the Ritual of this Order, as in the judgment of said Committee shall be for the best interests of the Order.

That the Committee so appointed shall be members of the Imperial Council and Potentates of subordinate Temples, and shall perfect its work and make report thereon to the Imperial Council at or prior to the Annual Session to be held in 1891.

That said Committee shall have power to appoint not to exceed three general meetings to be held at such time and place as may be fixed by the

Committee when duly organized, and that the actual traveling expenses of said Committee shall be allowed each member of said Committee when going to and attending such meetings.

The Imperial Potentate then announced the following Committee: John W. Boyle, Cyrus W. Eaton, Thomas J. Hudson, George C. Connor and William B. Melish.

PORTRAIT AND AUTOGRAPH OF WALTER M. FLEMING.

On motion it was

Resolved, To postpone action in procuring and inserting in next printed Proceedings of the Imperial Council the portrait and autograph of Past Imperial Potentate, Walter M. Fleming.

PRESENTATION TO PAST ACTING IMPERIAL TREASURER GEORGE W. MILLAR.

In accordance with the action taken at the Imperial Council meeting June 17, 1889, Past Acting Imperial Treasurer, George W. Millar was presented with a beautiful testimonial for faithful services rendered.

UNIFORM CALENDAR.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Imperial Potentate shall provide for the adoption of a uniform Calendar for the use of the subordinate Temples throughout the jurisdiction.

THANKS TO SYRIA TEMPLE.

On motion of Noble William Ryan it was

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the Officers and Nobles of Syria Temple for their courteous and generous hospitality to the Imperial Council during its present Session in Pittsburgh, and for the excellent accommodations provided for their deliberations.

CENSURE OF IMMORAL AND VULGAR PRACTICES.

The following Resolution was then offered:—

WHEREAS, The practice of certain Temples of the Mystic Shrine owing fealty to this Imperial Council, in introducing immoral, low, vulgar and obscene actions and ceremonies into the Ritual, is rapidly and justly bringing the Order into contempt and must finally tend to the disruption of the Institution: and inasmuch as such practices are evidently countenanced and permitted by certain Potentates and presiding officers of Temples; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Imperial Council hereby emphatically condemns all such immoral and vulgar practices, and declares that a repetition of such

proceedings shall be sufficient cause for the revocation of the Charter of any such Temple.

Resolved, That hereafter the Illustrious Potentate, or presiding officer for the time being, of each Temple will be held personally responsible for not immediately arresting any attempt at such vulgarity and obscenity, and will render himself subject to expulsion from the Order.

The Resolution was received and adopted.

LOCATION AND TIME OF NEXT ANNUAL IMPERIAL COUNCIL MEETING.

The Committee on Location, composed of Nobles Edward B. Jordan, Bruce Goodfellow and William Michie, made their report recommending Niagara Falls, N. Y., as place of meeting, and time, the Second Tuesday in June, 1891.

The report was, on motion, received and adopted.

The Imperial Potentate then appointed Ill.^l. Noble Charles W. Cushman a Committee of one to make necessary arrangements for the meeting.

ENTERED THE UNSEEN TEMPLE.

ALLAN, ROBERT E.....	April 17, 1889....	MECCA.
AINSLIE, GEORGE A.....	Nov. 4, ".....	ACCA.
BAKER, WILLIAM H.....	April 17, ".....	ISMAILIA.
BARKER, JAMES W.....	Nov. 20, ".....	ALMAS.
BENDER, HOMER P.....	March 6, ".....	MECCA.
BOWELL, JESSE M.....	Oct. 31, ".....	SYRIA.
BROWN, HENRY A.....	Feb. 26, ".....	ALEPPO.
BROWER, ZEBULON H.....	Dec. 2, 1888.....	MECCA.
BRAUGHN, GEORGE H.....	Jan. 1889....	JERUSALEM.
BURNS, JAMES N.....	Jan. 24, ".....	MOULA.
CASEBEER, JACOB B.....	Dec. 18, ".....	EL KAHIR.
CHAMBERLAIN, CHARLES....	Dec. 1888.....	
CHARLES, ALBERT P.....	Feb. 11, 1889.....	MURAT.
COCHRANE, FRANK B.....	April 19, ".....	ALEPPO.
COPLAND, JOHN.....	March 2, ".....	LU LU.
CREUTZBURG, GEORGE F.....	July 9, ".....	"
DOOLITTLE, JAMES R.....	Aug. 8, ".....	MEDINAH.
DOUGHTY, WILLIAM N.....	March 2, ".....	ABDALLAH.
DROVER, HENRY.....	Sept. 14, ".....	MURAT.
EVANS, THOMAS J.....	Sept. 20, ".....	ACCA.
FAY, GEORGE W.....	Feb. 5, ".....	ALEPPO.
FAULL, WILLIAM.....	June ".....	ISLAM.
GARTSIDE, JAMES.....	Feb. 6, ".....	LU LU.
GIES, GEORGE H.....	July 14, ".....	MOSLEM.
GLASS, GEORGE.....	Aug. 20, ".....	SYRIA.
GODEY, EDWARD.....	Dec. 18, ".....	ALMAS.
GOODYEAR, MILES W.....	Dec. 15, ".....	MECCA.
HALL, JOSEPH L.....	March 10, ".....	SYRIAN.
HARPER, SAMUEL.....	May 16, ".....	SYRIA.
HATCH, HIAL O.....	March 11, ".....	MOUNT SINAI.
HEASLEY, PITT O.....	Feb. 10, ".....	SYRIA.
HEGGELUND, OLE.....	Dec. 10, ".....	ISIS.
HUMPHREY, NELSON A.....	Dec. 10, ".....	MEDINAH.
JEWELL, THOMAS.....	Dec. 13, ".....	ISIS.
JOHNSTON, W. SCOTT.....	April 17, ".....	SYRIAN.
JONES, CHARLES J.....	April 23, ".....	MOUNT SINAI.
JUSTUS, ALBERT C.....	" 30, ".....	MECCA.
KING, MILES.....	Oct. 31, ".....	LU LU.
KLEINSMITH, W. H.....	Feb. 6, ".....	BOUMI.
LESIEUR, LOUIS, JR.....	May 22, ".....	LU LU.
LITCHFIELD, CLINTON.....	July 18, ".....	MEDINAH.
MASON, C. C.....	Aug. ".....	ISLAM.
McCLASKY, DAVID.....	July ".....	AL KORAN.

McCULLOUGH, WELTY.....	Sept.	1889.....	SYRIA.
MEACHAM, CHARLES O.	May 2,	"	MECCA.
MILLER, JAMES M.	Nov. 20,	"	MEDINAH.
MITCHELL, JOHN EWART.....	Sept. 29,	"	RAMESES.
MOTT, ALEXANDER B.	Oct. 31,	"	LU LU.
NEELY, FRANK.....	May 8,	1889.....	EL KAHR.
NEWCOME, J. A.....	" 25,	"	AL KORAN.
NEWCOMER, F. S.....	Sept. 14,	"	MURAT.
NIEMAN, THEODORE F.	June 26,	"	SYRIAN.
PALMER, SMITH M.....	April 16,	"	ISIS.
PAPST, M.....	Jan. 29,	"	KISMET.
PARKER, JOEL.....	June 19,	"	MECCA.
PHELPS, N. S.....		.....	DAMASCUS.
PIERSON, A. T. C.....	Nov. 26,	"	OSMAN.
REEVES, R. THEODORE.....	Jan. 8,	"	MECCA.
REHWENKLE, FREDERICK H.	June 8,	"	SYRIAN.
RIDAY, JOHN F.....	Oct. 31,	"	MECCA.
ROACH, FRANK.....	April 14,	"	"
ROBINSON, REUBEN.....	June 30,	"	MOSLEM.
ROGERS, ALBERT B.	May 4,	"	OSMAN.
SCHAFFER, W. W.....		.....	DAMASCUS.
SHELDON, LUCIUS M. JR.....	Dec. 29,	"	MECCA.
SHERWOOD, JOHN O.....	Sept. 8,	"	EL KAHR.
SHIDLE, GETER C.	Aug. 18,	"	SYRIA.
SHUPE, DAVID D.....	July 27,	"	LU LU.
SHUTE, FRANK A.....	Aug. 10,	"	"
SIZER, JOHN THOMAS.....	Nov. 28,	"	ACCA.
SMITH, BENJAMIN E.....	Jan. 8,	"	LU LU.
SMITH, F. G.....	"	"	ISLAM.
SMITH, W. S.....		.....	DAMASCUS.
TERRY, STEPHEN.....	April 23,	"	PYRAMID.
UNDERHILL, HENRY P.	Sept. 20,	"	BOUMI.
VOLLMER, AUGUST.....	Jan. 25,	"	LU LU.
VOORHEES, JOHN E.....	Nov. 27,	"	CYPRUS.
WAY, THOMAS P.....	Feb. 11,	"	"
WENDERHOLD, CONRAD.....	Feb. 27,	"	MECCA.
WHEELER, JAMES L.....	March 31,	"	"
WHITMAN, IRA.....	May 1,	"	"
WILLIAMS, CLARENCE A.....	July 20,	"	MOOLAH.
WILSON, NATHAN A.....	Jan.	"	AL KORAN.
WRIGHT, ROBERT.....	Dec. 18,	"	EL KAHR.

GLORY TO HIM

WHO TRANSPORTED HIS SERVANT TO THE UNSEEN TEMPLE!

CONGRESS OF IMPERIAL COUNCIL, ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER

OF THE
NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE
FOR NORTH AMERICA.

OFFICERS FOR 1889-1892.

SAM. BRIGGS,	CLEVELAND, O.	<i>Imperial Potentate,</i>
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THOMAS J. HUDSON,	PITTSBURGH, PA.	<i>Imperial Assistant Rabban,</i>
JOHN T. BRUSH,	INDIANAPOLIS, IND.	<i>Imperial High Priest and Prophet,</i>
BRUCE GOODFELLOW,	DETROIT, MICH.	<i>Imperial Oriental Guide,</i>
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WILLIAM H. MAYO,	ST. LOUIS, MO.	<i>Imperial First Ceremonial Master,</i>
WAYLAND TRASK,	BROOKLYN, N. Y.	<i>Imperial Second Ceremonial Master,</i>
CYRUS W. EATON,	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.	<i>Imperial Marshal,</i>
EDWARD C. CULP,	SALINA, KANSAS.	<i>Imperial Captain of the Guard,</i>
CHARLES L. FIELD,	SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.	<i>Imperial Outer Guard.</i>
THEODORE ELMENDORF,	CLEVELAND, O.	<i>Imperial Assistant Guard,</i>

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8. Bever, George W.....City National Bank, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
9. Bishop, Thomas J.....Greenbush Heights, Rensselaer Co., N. Y.
10. Boyle, John W.....Utica, N. Y.
11. Brazier, William H.....Milwaukee, Wis.
12. Briggs, Sam.....48 Cedar Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
13. Brice, Albert G.....122 Gravier St., New Orleans, La.
14. Burnham, George H.....Providence, R. I.
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25. Ecker, Louis P.....P. O. Box 333, Richmond, Va.
26. Field, Charles L.....312 Clay St., San Francisco, Cal.
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28. Fox, James A.....Cambridge, Mass.
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30. Gilbert, Frank T.....Buffalo, N. Y.
31. Hard, Frank J.....P. O. Box 1906, Denver, Colo.
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33. Henton, Charles H.....Montpelier, Vt.
34. Higgins, Marvin R.....P. O. Box 1565, Los Angeles, Cal.
35. Holmes, A. V.....Pittsburgh, Pa.
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37. Hubbard, Horace W.....228 Bank St., Cleveland, Ohio.
38. Hudson, Thomas J.....Pittsburgh, Pa.
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40. Knowlton, Julius W. Postmaster, Bridgeport, Conn.
41. Lawrence, Mortimer J. Denver, Colo.
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44. Loder, George F. Rochester, N. Y.
45. Luce, Frank M. 167 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.
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47. McGaffey, Henry H. Indianapolis, Ind.
48. McGee, James. 64 Duane St., New York, N. Y.
49. Mallett, Charles H. Jacksonville, Fla.
50. Marvin, Richard P., Jr. Akron, Ohio.
51. May, John A. City Hall, Chicago, Ill.
52. Mayo, William H. Freemasons' Hall, St. Louis, Mo.
53. Melish, William B. 181 Walnut St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
54. Metcalf, George R. 110 W. Fourth St., St. Paul, Minn.
55. Michie, William. 178 W. Fourth St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
56. Millar, George W. 64 Duane St., New York, N. Y.
57. Nickum, William C. 915 Fort Ave., Baltimore, Md.
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59. Rowell, Benjamin W. 44 Kilby St., Boston, Mass.
60. Ryan, William. 610 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky.
61. Setzer, Henry Jr. 313 Main St., Bridgeport, Conn.
62. Slanker, Gideon D. Olney Ill.
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65. Stites, William D. Sioux Falls, South Dakota.
66. Stowell, Henry. 5 Cannon Pl., Troy, N. Y.
67. Thompson, James H. Room 26 170 Washington St., Chicago, Ill.
68. Trask, Wayland. 18 Wall St., New York, N. Y.
69. Tyler, James. Ninth St. bet. O and P, Lincoln, Nebraska.
70. Walker, George H. 1427 F St., N. W. Washington, D. C.
71. Watson, Samuel E. Blodgett Bldg., Grand Rapids, Mich.
72. Wolff, Mathew R. Wheeling, W. Va.
73. Wright, Joseph S. 704 Market St., Philadelphia. Pa.

REPRESENTATIVE AD VITAM.

74. Fleming, Walter M. 7 E. Twenty-seventh St., New York, N. Y.

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1. Florence, William J. New York, N. Y.
2. Rawson, Albert L. Paskack, N. J.
3. Worthington, John. Island of Malta.

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1. Bascom, Frank H.....Montpelier, Vt.
2. Florence, William J.....New York, N. Y.
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4. Shryock, Thomas J.....Baltimore, Md.
5. Torrey, Charles W.....New York, N. Y.
6. Tyler, George O.....Burlington. Vt.

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1. Angel, Frank W.....Davenport, Iowa.
2. Anthony, Jesse B.....Troy, N. Y.
3. Atwood, Edward W.....Bridgeport, Conn.
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5. Ball, Dayton.....Albany, N. Y.
6. Barnard, Charles E.....Utica, N. Y.
7. Barnes, William H. L.....San Francisco, Cal.
8. Belvin, Preston.....Richmond, Va.
9. Blake, Edward A.....Chicago, Ill.
10. Blakeslee, Arthur R.....Birmingham, Conn.
11. Browne, Benjamin W.....Washington, D. C.
12. Carse, Henry.....Rock Island, Ill.
13. Carter, Samuel R.....Rochester, N. Y.
14. Caufy, Luther L.....Milwaukee, Wis.
15. Collins, James A.....Cincinnati, Ohio.
16. Collins, John F.....New York, N. Y.
17. Corliss, John B.....Detroit, Mich.
18. Cox, Edward B.....Troy, N. Y.
19. Cushman, Charles W.....Buffalo, N. Y.
20. Ehlers, Edward M.....New York, N. Y.
21. Elliott, Eugene S.....Milwaukee, Wis.
22. Fitch, William E.....Albany, N. Y.
23. Fones, Civilion.....Bridgeport, Conn.
24. Fowler, William.....New York, N. Y.
25. Gray, John H.....San Francisco, Cal.
26. Griffiths, Thomas J.....Utica, N. Y.
27. Grose, Joseph R.....South Boston, Mass.
28. Haseltine, John W.....Philadelphia, Pa.
29. Hastings, Frank S.....Leavenworth, Kansas.
30. Haxton, Benjamin F.....Detroit, Mich.
31. Herrick, William H.....Montpelier, Vt.
32. Heyzer, Charles H.....New York, N. Y.

33. Hill, Howard F. Montpelier, Vt.
34. Holman, John A. Indianapolis, Ind.
35. Hopkins, John S. Baltimore, Md.
36. Hughes, Daniel E. Philadelphia, Pa.
37. Hurlbut, Vincent L. Chicago, Ill.
38. Jones, Erasmus D. Albany, N. Y.
39. Land Frank E. Chicago, Ill.
40. Lenhart, Philip F. Brooklyn, N. Y.
41. Loder, George F. Rochester, N. Y.
42. McClenachan, Charles T. New York, N. Y.
43. McCoubray, Thomas, Jr. Baltimore, Md.
44. McCurdy, Hugh. Corunna, Mich.
45. McGaffey, Henry H. Indianapolis, Ind.
46. Mason, Clarence B. Newport, R. I.
47. Moriarty, Albert P. New York, N. Y.
48. Northrop, Aaron L. New York, N. Y.
49. Pantlind, George E. Grand Rapids, Mich.
50. Roome, Charles. New York, N. Y.
51. Ryan, William. Louisville, Ky.
52. Schlener, John A. Minneapolis, Minn.
53. Scott, George. Peterson, N. J.
54. Seavy, Manson. Boston, Mass.
55. Sherwood, Bensen. New York, N. Y.
56. Shipman, Ozias W. Detroit, Mich.
57. Sickels, Daniel. New York, N. Y.
58. Smith, Marvin E. Chicago, Ill.
59. Stettinius, John L. Cincinnati, Ohio.
60. Stratton, John A. Louisville, Ky.
61. Ten Eyck, James H. Albany, N. Y.
62. Tracy, D. Burnham. Detroit, Mich.
63. Vick, Frank H. Rochester, N. Y.
64. Ward, J. H. Hobart. New York, N. Y.
65. Washburn, Justus W. F. Montpelier, Vt.
66. Waterman, Robert H. Albany, N. Y.
67. Waters, John. Newport, R. I.
68. White, Jarvis. Davenport, Ia.
69. Whiting, William H. Rochester, N. Y.
70. Williams, John D. Elmira, N. Y.
71. Wing, George W. Montpelier, Vt.
72. Wright, William H. S. St. Paul, Minn.

TEMPLES UNDER THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL,
JUNE 23, 1890.

OFFICERS FOR 1890.

1.—ABDALLAH TEMPLE, LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS.

Chester B. Gunn, (409 Delaware St.).....	Potentate.
John D. Edmond.....	Chief Rabban.
Elmore W. Snyder.....	Assistant Rabban.
Edward W. Osgood.....	High Priest.
John M. Laing.....	Oriental Guide.
Carl Hoffman.....	Treasurer.
Dwight Byington (418 Pine St.).....	Recorder.
William B. Fletcher.....	First Cer. Master.
Edward Jobson.....	Second Cer. Master.
Frank S. Hastings.....	Director.
Henry C. F. Hackbusch.....	Marshal.
Thomas E. Conklin.....	Captain of Guard.
Rudolph Jost.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 28, 1887.—Number of Members, 120.

2.—ACCA TEMPLE, RICHMOND, VA.

Louis P. Ecker (P. O. Box 333).....	Potentate.
W. Fred Pleasants.....	Chief Rabban.
George L. Street.....	Assistant Rabban.
A. W. Swain.....	High Priest.
Frank W. Cunningham.....	Oriental Guide.
John F. Mayer.....	Treasurer.
William Ellis Jones.....	Recorder.
Louis Rawlings.....	First Cer. Master.
George W. Rady.....	Second Cer. Master.
William H. Sands.....	Director.
R. G. Bickford.....	Marshal.
Jonas F. Welcome.....	Captain of Guard.
Junius A. Cosby.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 96.

3.—AFIFI TEMPLE, TACOMA, WASHINGTON.

Frank B. Gault, (Tacoma, Washington).....	Potentate.
Elijah M. Beatty.....	Chief Rabban.
Edmund T. Durgin.....	Assistant Rabban.
Le Roy Pratt.....	High Priest.
Samuel C. Milligan.....	Oriental Guide.
Henry Drum.....	Treasurer
Richard A. Ketner.....	Recorder.
William G. Rowland.....	First Cer. Master.
Nathan S. Porter.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward R. Hare.....	Director.
Trustin P. Dyer.....	Marshal.
Ludwig A. Klein.....	Captain of Guard.
Mina Brotton.....	Outer Guard.

Founded August 1, 1888.—Number of Members, 75.

4.—ALEPPO TEMPLE, BOSTON, MASS.

James A. Fox, (Cambridge, Mass.).....	Potentate.
Thomas Waterman.....	Chief Rabban.
George H. Allen.....	Assistant Rabban.
Leonard M. Averell.....	High Priest.
Caleb Saunders.....	Oriental Guide.
Harry P. Stearns.....	Treasurer.
Benjamin W. Rowell (44 Kilby St.).....	Recorder.
Samuel W. Richardson.....	First Cer. Master.
Byron F. Horne.....	Second Cer. Master.
Frank Locke.....	Director.
George S. Carpenter.....	Marshal.
Alexander K. Bryer.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 23, 1882.—Number of Members, 1033.

5.—ALGERIA TEMPLE, HELENA, MONTANA.

Cornelius B. Nolan.....	Potentate.
John Wilson Thompson.....	Chief Rabban.
Richard Lockey.....	Assistant Rabban.
Frank Winston McConnell.....	High Priest.
Edward D. Neill, Jr.....	Oriental Guide.
Theodore H. Kleinschmidt.....	Treasurer.
George Booker (P. O. Box 333.).....	Recorder.
William D. Smith.....	First Cer. Master.
Cornelius Hedges.....	Second Cer. Master.
Arthur C. Logan.....	Director.
Samuel R. Douglas.....	Marshal.
Benjamin W. S. Folk.....	Captain of Guard.
Henry Cowden.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 23, 1888.—Number of Members, 104.

6.—ALHAMBRA TEMPLE, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

George C. Conner.....	Potentate.
Orion L. Hurlbut.....	Chief Rabban.
William L. Shumate.....	Assistant Rabban.
Archibald N. Sloan.....	High Priest.
Arthur G. Stivers.....	Oriental Guide.
John B. Nicklin.....	Treasurer.
Alexander S. Glover, (817 Georgia ave.).....	Recorder.
Charles L. Morrison.....	First Cer. Master.
Edward G. Willingham.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward D. Kohn.....	Marshal.
John B. Nicklin.....	Captain of Guard.
Founded September 7, 1889.—Number of Members, 22.	

7.—AL KADER TEMPLE, PORTLAND, OREGON.

Irving W. Partt (69 South First St.).....	Potentate.
Ferdinand N. Shurtleff.....	Chief Rabban.
Joseph W. Hill.....	Assistant Rabban.
Phillip S. Malcolm.....	High Priest.
Douglas W. Taylor.....	Oriental Guide.
John R. Foster.....	Treasurer.
Benjamin G. Whitehouse (100 Third St.).....	Recorder.
Daniel McKercher.....	First Cer. Master.
Andrew Roberts.....	Second Cer. Master.
James W. Cook.....	Marshal.
Davis S. Tuthill.....	Captain of Guard.
Elisha A. Moses.....	Outer Guard.
Founded January 3, 1888.—Number of Members, 65.	

8.—AL KORAN TEMPLE, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Sam. Briggs, (48 Cedar ave.).....	Potentate.
Moses G. Carrell.....	Chief Rabban.
Arthur B. Foster.....	Assistant Rabban.
John M. Gorham.....	High Priest.
William E. Thurber.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles Wesley.....	Treasurer.
Sam. Briggs, (48 Cedar ave.).....	Recorder.
Charles F. Spencer.....	First Cer. Master.
William W. Furry.....	Second Cer. Master.
Horace W. Hubbard.....	Director.
Aldon G. D. Shermen.....	Marshal.
John W. Gibbons.....	Captain of Guard.
Theodore Elmendorf.....	Outer Guard.
Founded November 16, 1876.—Number of Members, 396.	

9.—AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Trowbridge H. Ward.....	Potentate.
George Gilson.....	Chief Rabban.
Hervey Lindley.....	Assistant Rabban.
J. S. Van Doren.....	High Priest.
F. C. Woodbury.....	Oriental Guide.
Tom J. Weldon.....	Treasurer.
David E. Barclay (747 So. Spring St.).....	Recorder.
R. R. Brown.....	First Cer. Master.
C. O. Scott.....	Sec. Cer. Master.
W. A. Morgan.....	Director.
A. G. Slocum.....	Marshal.
C. C. Allen.....	Captain of Guard.
Edward Hartup.....	Outer Guard.

Founded February 6, 1888.—Number of Members, 137.

10.—ALMAS TEMPLE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

George H. Walker (1427 F St. N. W.).....	Potentate.
Fred. G. Alexander.....	Chief Rabban.
Samuel J. Haislett.....	Assistant Rabban.
Clement W. Bennett.....	High Priest.
David G. Dixon.....	Oriental Guide.
Abner T. Longley.....	Treasurer.
John H. Olcott (918 Mass. Ave.).....	Recorder.
Augustus B. Coolidge.....	First Cer. Master.
Edward M. Mix.....	Second Cer. Master.
Leonard C. Wood.....	Director.
Edwin H. Chamberlain.....	Marshal.
Harry B. Major.....	Captain of Guard.
James H. Trimble.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 7, 1886.—Number of Members, 201.

11.—ARARAT TEMPLE, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Ethelbert F. Allen (34 Beals Building).....	Potentate.
Charles A. Hibbard.....	Chief Rabban.
Bryson L. McClain.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles S. Owsley.....	High Priest.
Frank F. Rozzelle.....	Oriental Guide.
William P. Moores.....	Treasurer.
Rufus M. Eades (572 Sheidley Bldg.).....	Recorder.
Benj. C. Burgess.....	First Cer. Master.
William V. Clark.....	Second Cer. Master.
W. W. Cowan.....	Director.
S. L. C. Hasson.....	Marshal.
H. M. Tieson.....	Captain of Guard.
W. H. Donaldson.....	Outer Guard.

Founded December 1, 1887. Number of Members, 145.

12.—BALLUT ABYAD TEMPLE, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Arthur J. Maloy.....	Potentate.
Elias S. Stores.....	Chief Rabban.
Matthew W. Flourney.....	Assistant Rabban.
Frederick A Cimeran.....	High Priest.
John L. Andrews.....	Oriental Guide.
Frederick H. Kent.....	Treasurer.
Alexander Stevens (P. O. Box 103).....	Recorder.
Charles H. Woodworths	First Cer. Master.
James H. Wrotts.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward Medler.....	Director.
Joseph H. Kuhns.....	Marshal.
Edward W. Bliss.....	Captain of Guard.
Alexander M. Whitcomb.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 11, 1887.—Number of Members, 80.

13.—BOUMI TEMPLE, BALTIMORE, MD.

William Dochterman (20 West Lexington St.).....	Potentate.
James P. Clark.....	Chief Rabban.
Richard H. Conway	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob Likes.....	High Priest.
Henry O. Reese.....	Oriental Guide.
Samuel W. Register.....	Treasurer.
David F. Penington (20 West Lexington St.).....	Recorder.
Mark A. J. Clift.....	First Cer. Master.
W. D. Waxter.....	Second Cer. Master.
George W. Starr.....	Director.
John H. Griffith.....	Marshal.
Chas. M. McCahan	Captain of Guard.
J. W. Guest.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 31, 1884.—Number of Members, 240.

14.—CYPRUS TEMPLE, ALBANY, N. Y.

Thomas J. Bishop (Greenbush Heights, Rensselaer, Co.).....	Potentate.
Charles H. Armitage.....	Chief Rabban.
William W. Grey.....	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Quinby.....	High Priest.
John L. Godley.....	Oriental Guide.
Erasmus D. Jones.....	Treasurer.
William E. Fitch (328 So. Pearl St.).....	Recorder.
Henry W. Young.....	First Cer. Master.
Thomas H. Dennary.....	Second Cer. Master.
James H. Kelly.....	Director.
Edwy L. Taylor.....	Marshal.
Thomas H. Willard.....	Captain of Guard.
William H. Gladding.....	Outer Guard.

Founded February 2, 1887.—Number of Members, 126.

15.—DAMASCUS TEMPLE, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

S. D. W. Cleveland.....	Potentate.
William H. Whiting.....	Chief Rabban.
Sidney C. MacKaye.....	Assistant Rabban.
Samuel C. Pierce.....	High Priest.
Burton H. Davy.....	Oriental Guide.
Edward Schaefer.....	Treasurer.
Charles M. Steel (34 Court St.).....	Recorder.
Harry B. James.....	First Cer. Master.
Conrad Eckhardt.....	Second Cer. Master.
Samuel R. Carter.....	Director.
Edward C. Way.....	Marshal.
John M. Aiken.....	Captain of Guard.
William H. Davenport.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 4, 1875.—Number of Members, 294.

16.—EL JEBEL TEMPLE, DENVER, COLO.

Mortimer J. Lawrence.....	Potentate.
Henry C. Frost.....	Chief Rabban.
Sidney A. Shepperd.....	Assistant Rabban.
William B. Felker.....	High Priest.
Thomas Nicholl.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles A. Raymond.....	Treasurer.
Frank J. Hard (P. O. Box 1906).....	Recorder.
William R. Harp.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles P. Wickes.....	Second Cer. Master.
Silas W. Chaney.....	Marshal.
Wesley J. Gibbs.....	Captain of Guard.
Thomas Linton.....	Outer Guard.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 402.

17.—EL KAHIR TEMPLE, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

Cyrus W. Eaton (19 Second Ave.).....	Potentate.
Edward I. Foster.....	Chief Rabban.
Calvin G. Greene.....	Assistant Rabban.
James Morton.....	High Priest.
Upton C. Blake.....	Oriental Guide.
James L. Bever.....	Treasurer.
George W. Bever (City National Bank).....	Recorder.
John B. Bever.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles H. French.....	Second Cer. Master.
E. Olin Soule.....	Director.
William Flanagan.....	Marshal.
Marvin J. Gates.....	Captain of Guard.
Zelotes Farr.....	Outer Guard.

Founded February 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 305.

18.—EL RIAD TEMPLE, SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA.

Curtis J. Winsor.....	Potentate.
Alfred B. Kittridge.....	Chief Rabban.
William T. Doolittle.....	Assistant Rabban.
William H. Stoddard.....	High Priest.
George W. Burnside.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles H. Vincent.....	Treasurer.
Arthur C. Phillips (Sioux Falls, South Dakota).....	Recorder.
William R. Burkholder.....	First Cer. Master.
Collins D. Pratt.....	Second Cer. Master.
Daniel S. Glidden.....	Director.
Benjamin F. Campbell.....	Marshal.
Joseph W. Jones.....	Captain of Guard.
John B. Cloudes.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 2, 1888.—Number of Members, 105.

19.—EL ZAGAL, FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA.

Leonard A. Rose (Fargo, N. D.).....	Potentate.
Roswell W. Knowlton.....	Chief Rabban.
Marc A. Brewer.....	Assistant Rabban.
F. S. Langdon.....	High Priest.
Rufus E. Fleming.....	Oriental Guide.
E. P. Sundburg.....	Treasurer.
Jacob Lowell (Fargo, N. D.).....	Recorder.
Andrew H. Burke.....	First Cer. Master.
Almon L. Loomis.....	Second Cer. Master.
Albert B. Guptill.....	Marshal.
Edward McLean Darrow.....	Director.
John J. Bowers.....	Captain of Guard.
Samuel T. Cormick.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 29, 1889.—Number of Members, 62.

20.—HELLA TEMPLE, DALLAS, TEXAS.

Henry M. Spalding (Denton, Texas).....	Potentate.
George H. Green.....	Chief Rabban.
Henry F. Burt.....	Assistant Rabban.
George A. Webster.....	High Priest.
Joseph Swope.....	Oriental Guide.
Edwin M. Reardon.....	Treasurer.
Neal Starke (Commerce and Akard Sts.).....	Recorder.
Jeff Nathan Miller.....	First Cer. Master.
Shadrach Mims.....	Second Cer. Master.
Charles C. Curtice.....	Director.
Henry A. McDonald.....	Marshal.
John G. Hunter.....	Captain of Guard.
Francis C. Lyne.....	Outer Guard.

Founded May 31, 1887.—Number of Members, 140.

21.—ISIS TEMPLE, SALINA, KANSAS.

Edward C. Culp (Salina, Kansas)	Potentate.
Harper S. Cunningham	Chief Rabban.
Charles A. Hiller	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob DeWitt	High Priest.
Thomas L. Bond	Oriental Guide.
Oscar Seitz	Treasurer.
Robert E. Nickles (Salina, Kansas)	Recorder.
John Anderson	First Cer. Master.
William H. Herbig	Second Cer. Master.
Emil Arner	Director.
Frank Ferlen	Marshal.
Leroy O. Wright	Captain of Guard.
Freeman Kingman	Outer Guard.

Founded March 30, 1887.—Number of Members, 212.

22.—ISLAM TEMPLE, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Charles L. Field (312 Clay St.)	Potentate.
Hiram T. Graves	Chief Rabban.
Brilsford P. Flint	Assistant Rabban.
Charles L. Patton	High Priest.
Eugene J. Gregory	Oriental Guide.
Edward H. Hanson	Treasurer.
Victor D. Duboce (34 Steuart St.)	Recorder.
G. Howard Thompson	First Cer. Master.
Charles F. Burnham	Second Cer. Master.
Frank W. Sumner	Director.
Henry Edward	Marshal.
William H. Smith	Captain of Guard.
Robert H. Mowbray	Outer Guard.

Founded March 6, 1883.—Number of Members, 315.

23.—ISMAILIA TEMPLE, BUFFALO, N. Y.

Charles W. Cushman (37 Chapin Block)	Potentate.
Frank T. Gilbert	Chief Rabban.
George L. Brown	Assistant Rabban.
John L. Brothers	High Priest.
Henry Smith, 2d	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Bishop	Treasurer.
George L. Kingston (Room 17, Law Exchange)	Recorder.
William S. Wicks	First Cer. Master.
Frank M. Fisher, 2d	Second Cer. Master.
Horace A. Noble	Director.
Charles H. Funnell	Marshal.
James A. Given	Captain of Guard.
Charles R. Dunning	Outer Guard.

Founded November 5, 1887.—Number of Members, 249.

24.—JERUSALEM TEMPLE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Charles F. Buck (P. O. Box 81).....	Potentate.
William T. Benedict.....	Chief Rabban.
David R. Graham.....	Assistant Rabban.
Richard T. Slocomb.....	High Priest.
John H. Clarke.....	Oriental Guide.
Arthur W. Hyatt.....	Treasurer.
Richard Lambert (P. O. Box 81).....	Recorder.
George Soule.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles E. Kells.....	Second Cer. Master.
A. H. DePass.....	Marshal.
Mark Quayle.....	Captain of Guard.
John W. Madden.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 30, 1885.—Number of Members, 54.

25.—KAABA TEMPLE, DAVENPORT, IOWA.

Clark L. Richards (Davenport, Ia.).....	Potentate.
John Hoyt.....	Chief Rabban.
Oliver Olsen.....	Assistant Rabban.
George M. Cook.....	High Priest.
Alonzo W. Cantwell.....	Oriental Guide.
Cyrus T. Darling.....	Treasurer.
Cornelius J. Brown (306 E. 8th St.).....	Recorder.
William F. Winecke.....	First Cer. Master.
Frank L. Snell.....	Second Cer. Master.
Jarvis White.....	Director.
Thomas Murray.....	Marshal.
Charles H. Reupke.....	Captain of Guard.
Ephriam R. Wright.....	Outer Guard.

Founded (as Pyramid Temple) July 1, 1878.—Number of Members, 91.

26.—KISMET TEMPLE, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Wayland Trask (18 Wall Steet, New York, N. Y.).....	Potentate.
Nathan W. Josselyn.....	Chief Rabban.
Edwin Knowles.....	Assistant Rabban.
John W. Richardson.....	High Priest.
Edwin D. Washburn.....	Oriental Guide.
Mark Mayer.....	Treasurer.
Sydney F. Walker (P. O. Box 2032, New York, N. Y.).....	Recorder.
Orlando Bennett.....	First Cer. Master.
John McGeehan.....	Second Cer. Master.
George A. Rowell.....	Director.
Marion Grimes.....	Marshal.
Charles Hoffman, Jr.....	Captain of Guard.
Godfrey Lincks.....	Outer Guard.

Founded July 2, 1887.—Number of Members, 253.

27.—KOSAIR TEMPLE, LOUISVILLE, KY.

William Ryan (610 E. Broadway).....	Potentate.
John A. Stratton.....	Chief Rabban.
Clarence L. Martin.....	Assistant Rabban.
R. H. Thompson.....	High Priest.
Charles C. Vogt.....	Oriental Guide.
John Finzer.....	Treasurer.
Will E. Ryan (610 E. Broadway).....	Recorder.
John F. Lewis.....	First Cer. Master.
T. P. Satterwhite, Jr.....	Second Cer. Master.
M. Cary Peter.....	Director.
W. L. Lyons.....	Marshal.
E. C. Pearson.....	Captain of Guard.
George S. F. Evans.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 3, 1884.—Number of Members, 144.

28.—LULU TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Joseph S. Wright (704 Market St.).....	Potentate.
Ezra S. Bartlett.....	Chief Rabban.
Edward B. Spencer.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles Laing.....	High Priest.
Philip C. Shaffer.....	Oriental Guide.
Michael F. Benerman.....	Treasurer.
Charles Cary (417 Walnut St.).....	Recorder.
John A. S. Heath.....	First Cer. Master.
John A. W. Gross.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward B. Jordan.....	Director.
Jacob L. Brallier.....	Marshal.
George W. Walton.....	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin K. Paullin.....	Outer Guard.

Founded December 31, 1883.—Number of Members, 1,133.

29.—MECCA TEMPLE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Augustus W. Peters (60 Broadway).....	Potentate.
Charles A. Benedict.....	Chief Rabban.
Philip C. Benjamin.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles H. Heyzer.....	High Priest.
Robert P. Lyon.....	Oriental Guide.
George W. Millar.....	Treasurer.
William S. Paterson (100 Reade St.).....	Recorder.
James V. Kirby.....	First Cer. Master.
Edgar M. Ayers.....	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph B. Eakins.....	Director.
George H. Wyatt.....	Marshal.
Valentine Hammann.....	Captain of Guard.
Thomas J. Leigh.....	Outer Guard.

Founded September 26, 1872.—Number of Members, 1,404.

30.—MEDINAH TEMPLE, CHICAGO, ILL.

John A. May (City Hall).....	Potentate.
William A. Stiles.....	Chief Rabban.
William M. Knight.....	Assistant Rabban.
Canute R. Matson.....	High Priest.
Thomas H. Currier.....	Oriental Guide.
James S. Carter.....	Treasurer.
Frank M. Luce (167 Dearborn St.).....	Recorder.
Robert M. Johnson.....	First Cer. Master.
John E. Norton.....	Second Cer. Master.
Leonard W. Campbell.....	Director.
Charles K. Herrick.....	Marshal.
George D. Eddy.....	Captain of Guard.
Archibald McLellan.....	Outer Guard.

Founded October 30, 1882.—Number of Members, 967.

31.—MOILA TEMPLE, SAINT JOSEPH, MO.

Walter J. Hilton (111 North 2d St.).....	Potentate.
Hathon G. Getchell.....	Chief Rabban.
William M. Shepherd.....	Assistant Rabban.
Maurice W. Steiner.....	High Priest.
William B. McNutt.....	Oriental Guide.
Ewald Padberg.....	Treasurer.
William A. Lord (P. O. Drawer 55).....	Recorder.
Walter C. Stewart.....	First Cer. Master.
Olin E. Van Deventer.....	Second Cer. Master.
Robert C. Wheeler.....	Director.
Henry G. Buckingham.....	Marshal.
J. W. Batcheller.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles Kearney.....	Outer Guard.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 76.

32.—MOOLAH TEMPLE, SAINT LOUIS, MO.

Benjamin F. Nelson (Odd Fellows' Building).....	Potentate
A. H. Wallis.....	Chief Rabban.
Gus. V. R. Meehin.....	Assistant Rabban.
William Walsh.....	High Priest.
Benjamin Lynds.....	Oriental Guide.
Elisha B. Overstreet.....	Treasurer.
William H. Mayo (Freemasons' Hall).....	Recorder.
Gus. W. Niemann.....	First Cer. Master.
Benjamin Altheimer.....	Second Cer. Master.
James F. Ewing.....	Director.
Hiram H. Steibel.....	Marshal.
Harry T. Jones.....	Captain of Guard.
John W. Owen.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 26, 1886.—Number of Members, 217.

33.—MOROCCO TEMPLE, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA.

Henry Sely.....	Potentate.
John H. Stevens.....	Chief Rabban.
Thomas S. Wilmarth.....	Assistant Rabban.
William A. McLean.....	High Priest.
Joseph Y. Porter.....	Oriental Guide.
Otis L. Keene.....	Treasurer.
William A. McLean.....	Recorder.
Henry C. Crosthwaite.....	First Cer. Master.
Olin S. Wright.....	Second Cer. Master.
Thaddeus M. Chapman.....	Director.
William T. Knapp, M. D.....	Marshal.
William A. Dunn.....	Captain of Guard.
Robert G. Brown.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 28, 1888.—Number of Members, 15.

34.—MOSLEM TEMPLE, DETROIT, MICH.

Bruce Goodfellow.....	Potentate.
S. C. Johnson.....	Chief Rabban.
Frederick Fayram.....	Assistant Rabban.
George D. Adams.....	High Priest.
Harry S. Starkey.....	Oriental Guide.
Nicholas Contson.....	Treasurer.
William M. Bailey (29 Miami Ave.).....	Recorder.
E. R. Harris.....	First Cer. Master.
J. M. Brown.....	Second Cer. Master.
W. H. Ellis.....	Marshal.
Joseph Mayworm.....	Captain of Guard.
A. J. Arnold.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 2, 1880.—Number of Members, 416.

35.—MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, MONTPELIER, VT.

Collins Blakely (Montpelier, Vt.).....	Potentate.
George L. Lane.....	Chief Rabban.
James E. Curran.....	Assistant Rabban.
Stephen R. Colby.....	High Priest.
Charles A. Barnard.....	Oriental Guide.
Frank H. Bascom.....	Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton (Montpelier Vt.).....	Recorder.
George M. Goss.....	First Cer. Master.
Frank A. Dwinell.....	Second Cer. Master.
William H. Herrick.....	Director.
Arch. M. Batchelder.....	Marshal.
Charles A. Fuller.....	Captain of Guard.
Russell C. Collins.....	Outer Guard.

Founded October 31, 1876.—Number of Members, 188.

36.—MURAT TEMPLE, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

John T. Brush (Room 30, When Block).....	Potentate.
Chester Bradford.....	Chief Rabban.
Chalmers Brown.....	Assistant Rabban.
Byron K. Elliott.....	High Priest.
William H. Schmidt.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Meyer.....	Treasurer.
Joseph W. Smith (4 Ingalls Block).....	Recorder.
Willis C. Vajen.....	First Cer. Master.
Ahira R. White.....	Second Cer. Master.
Henry H. McGaffey.....	Director.
Frank T. Holliday.....	Marshal.
Samuel A. Johnston.....	Captain of Guard.
John Saunders.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 13, 1884.—Number of Members, 294.

37.—ORIENTAL TEMPLE, TROY, N. Y.

Henry Stowell (5 Cannon Pl.).....	Potentate.
James S. Toner.....	Chief Rabban.
William A. Lent.....	Assistant Rabban.
William Finder, Jr.....	High Priest.
Isaac F. Handy.....	Oriental Guide.
Oliver Dexter, Jr.....	Treasurer.
William Pettis (273 River St.).....	Recorder.
Robert Seitz.....	First Cer. Master.
William B. Perry.....	Second Cer. Master.
John H. Tappin.....	Director.
Stephen V. Sturtevant.....	Marshal.
Edward W. Loth.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles Teson.....	Outer Guard.

Founded February 6, 1877.—Number of Members, 232.

38.—OSIRIS TEMPLE, WHEELING, W. VA.

Alfred Paull (41 Twelfth St.).....	Potentate.
W. M. Bougher.....	Chief Rabban.
E. L. Rose.....	Assistant Rabban.
Frank H. Warden.....	High Priest.
R. H. List.....	Oriental Guide.
W. A. Wilson.....	Treasurer.
Mathew R. Wolff (Telephone Exchange).....	Recorder.
George Bremer.....	First Cer. Master.
F. E. McCoy.....	Second Cer. Master.
J. A. H. Parsons.....	Director.
E. W. Dunaway.....	Marshal.
G. W. Atkinson.....	Captain of Guard.
T. W. Bliss.....	Outer Guard.

Founded July 22, 1886.—Number of Members, 111.

39.—OSMAN TEMPLE, SAINT PAUL, MINN.

George R. Metcalf (110 W. Fourth St.).....	Potentate.
Oscar M. Metcalf.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles W. Hornick.....	Assistant Rabban.
Putnam W. Locke.....	High Priest.
Russell C. Munger.....	Oriental Guide.
Isaac Seddon.....	Treasurer.
Orville G. Miller (63 E. Third St.).....	Recorder.
Harry C. Hope.....	First Cer. Master.
Bernhard Zimmerman.....	Second Cer. Master.
William H. S. Wright.....	Director.
William J. C. Kenyon.....	Director.
Robert A. Hirst.....	Captain of Guard.
Jean C. Fischer.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 20, 1885.—Number of Members, 222.

40.—PALESTINE TEMPLE, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Horace K. Blanchard.....	Potentate.
Albert L. Anthony.....	Chief Rabban.
George L. Shepley.....	Assistant Rabban.
Wendell P. Anthony.....	High Priest.
George C. Holden.....	Oriental Guide.
John S. Massie.....	Treasurer.
Walter Blodget (97 Angell St.).....	Recorder.
John S. Rogers.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles H. C. Carter.....	Second Cer. Master.
Elton A. Cook.....	Marshal.
Fred C. Bushee.....	Captain of Guard.
Richard Chadwick.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 28, 1886.—Number of Members, 186.

41.—PYRAMID TEMPLE, BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

Julius W. Knowlton (Bridgeport, Conn.).....	Potentate.
Stephen T. Bartlett.....	Chief Rabban.
Hobart W. Watson.....	Assistant Rabban.
Edwin I. Pyle.....	High Priest.
Alpheus D. Dutton.....	Oriental Guide.
Henry Gardner.....	Treasurer.
E. Stewart Sumner (45 Wall St.).....	Recorder.
Hugh Stirling.....	First Cer. Master.
David C. Mills.....	Second Cer. Master.
Thaddeus B. Beecher.....	Director.
William J. Dorrance.....	Marshal.
Charles H. Peet, Jr.....	Captain of Guard.
Rodney S. Bassett.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 18, 1877.—Number of Members, 417.

42.—RAMESES TEMPLE, TORONTO, CANADA.

Henry A. Collins (90 Yonge St.)	Potentate.
James Glanville	Chief Rabban.
James A. McMurtry	Assistant Rabban.
W. Simpson	High Priest.
N. L. Lyon	Oriental Guide.
George S. McConkey	Treasurer.
Arthur A. S. Ardagh (55 Yonge St.)	Recorder.
L. B. Montgomery	First Cer. Master.
Benjamin Allen	Second Cer. Master.
F. B. Lockwood	Director.
J. K. Leslie	Marshal.
John Sharp Boyd	Captain of Guard.
W. H. H. Smith	Outer Guard.

Founded April 21, 1887.—Number of Members, 80.

43.—SAHARA TEMPLE, PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS.

Marcus L. Bell (Pine Bluff, Ark.)	Potentate.
John T. Marsh	Chief Rabban.
James W. Montague	Assistant Rabban.
Innes O. Adams	High Priest.
David I. Mills	Oriental Guide.
John O'Connell	Treasurer.
Thomas W. Vining (316 Pine St.)	Recorder.
Alphonso D. Shotwell	First Cer. Master.
David L. Trimble	Second Cer. Master.
Pleasant B. Field	Director.
William C. Hazelteen	Marshal.
Wesley B. McGehee	Captain of Guard.
Alphonse Brewster	Outer Guard.

Founded April 16, 1889.—Number of Members, 43.

44.—SALAAM TEMPLE, OLNEY, ILL.

William F. Beck (Olney Times Office)	Potentate.
John Von Gunten, Jr.	Chief Rabban.
Martin D. Foster	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Gunn	High Priest.
William A. Thompson	Oriental Guide.
Robert N. Stotler	Treasurer.
Nathan S. Marshall (Olney, Ill.)	Recorder.
Henry B. Goddard	First Cer. Master.
John H. Stanley	Second Cer. Master.
Harvey M. Hall	Director.
Robert F. Kasper	Marshal.
Philip Raling	Captain of Guard.
James W. Luther	Outer Guard.

Founded January 1, 1884.—Number of Members, 37.

45.—SALADIN TEMPLE, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

George F. Buss (Grand Rapids, Mich.)	Potentate.
Francis Letellier	Chief Rabban.
Henry K. Dean	Assistant Rabban.
Lou. B. Winsor	High Priest.
Noah H. Reynolds	Oriental Guide.
Thomas J. Lucas	Treasurer.
Samuel E. Watson (Blodgett Bldg.)	Recorder.
Isaac B. Mathewson	First Cer. Master.
Nelson B. Clark	Second Cer. Master.
Henry F. Hastings	Director.
Uri S. Hayes	Marshal.
Frank E. Sprarker	Captain of Guard.
Charles H. Brown	Outer Guard.

Founded April 17, 1886.—Number of Members, 194.

46.—SESOSTRIS TEMPLE, LINCOLN, NEB.

Henry C. McArthur	Potentate.
George H. Simmons	Chief Rabban.
Walter C. Davis	Assistant Rabban.
Alfred G. Hastings	High Priest.
James Tyler	Oriental Guide.
Jerry F. Morris	Treasurer.
Frank M. Glenn (1437 F St.)	Recorder.
James M. Edmiston	First Cer. Master.
Oliver P. Dinges	Second Cer. Master.
Alva E. Kennard	Director.
John H. McClay	Marshal.
Earl A. Cooley	Captain of Guard.
George J. Hendry	Outer Guard.

Founded June 22, 1887.—Number of Members, 82.

47.—SYRIA TEMPLE, PITTSBURGH, PA.

Thomas J. Hudson (P. O. Box 790)	Potentate.
Arthur B. Wigley	Chief Rabban.
Americus V. Holmes	Assistant Rabban.
Charles E. Miller	High Priest.
William S. Brown	Oriental Guide.
Joseph Eichbaum	Treasurer.
Frank A. Kingsley (400 Wood St.)	Recorder.
Charles R. Dallas	First Cer. Master.
John H. Page	Second Cer. Master.
Benjamin Darlington	Director.
Henry H. Arnold	Marshal.
James S. Arnold	Captain of Guard.
George C. Johnstone	Outer Guard.

Founded May 19, 1877.—Number of Members, 616.

48.—SYRIAN TEMPLE, CINCINNATI, OHIO.

William B. Melish (181 Walnut St.).....	Potentate.
Charles H. Flach.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles H. Fish.....	Assistant Rabban.
Sherwood B. Markland.....	High Priest.
Joseph Kirkup.....	Oriental Guide.
Thomas Kite, Jr.....	Treasurer.
Edward C. Harding (15 West Third St.).....	Recorder.
George T. Sterritt.....	First Cer. Master.
Frank G. Curry.....	Second Cer. Master.
William Michie.....	Director.
Joseph W. Cotteral, Jr.....	Marshal.
S. G. Sullivan.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles Sutphin.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 6, 1876.—Number of Members, 438.

49.—TANGIER TEMPLE, OMAHA, NEBRASKA.

Gustave Anderson (1504 Furman St.).....	Potentate.
Henry C. Akin.....	Chief Rabban.
Napoleon B. Apple.....	Assistant Rabban.
L. M. Anderson.....	High Priest.
J. R. Stafford.....	Oriental Guide.
Victor White (P. O. Drawer 44).....	Recorder.
Charles S. Huntington.....	First Cer. Master.
Thomas Batterton.....	Second Cer. Master.
Henry C. Akin.....	Director.
Jamas A. Woodman.....	Marshal.
Richard Smith.....	Captain of Guard.
Henry Newell.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 15, 1889—Number of Members, 137.

50.—TRIPOLI TEMPLE, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Eugene S. Elliott (80 Wisconsin St.).....	Potentate.
Luther L. Caufy.....	Chief Rabban.
Leroy C. Whitney.....	Assistant Rabban.
John W. Laffin.....	High Priest.
Frank B. Golley.....	Oriental Guide.
John E. Armitage.....	Treasurer.
Benj. T. Leuzarder (634 Van Buren St.).....	Recorder.
John L. Ferguson.....	First Cer. Master.
Christopher Siebert.....	Second Cer. Master.
Adolph H. Wagner.....	Marshal.
William H. Morris.....	Captain of Guard.
Thomas M. Corbett.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 9, 1885.—Number of Members, 208.

51.—YAARAB TEMPLE, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

H. C. Stockdell.....	Potentate.
A. G. Howard.....	Chief Rabban.
A. P. Woodward.....	Assistant Rabban.
F. M. Fremont.....	High Priest.
C. T. Watson.....	Oriental Guide.
A. W. Hill.....	Treasurer.
G. T. E. Hardeman (Wild Land Department)	Recorder.
Ira M. Swartz.....	First Cer. Master.
G. H. Holliday.....	Second Cer. Master.
R. M. Rose.....	Director.
W. Venable.....	Marshal.
G. C. Bancroft.....	Captain of Guard.
B. S. Loyd.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 29, 1889.—Number of Members, 32.

52.—ZIYARA TEMPLE, UTICA, N. Y.

John W. Boyle (Utica, N. Y.).....	Potentate.
Jacob Scheehl.....	Chief Rabban.
O. A. Burnham.....	Assistant Rabban.
E. L. Akehurst.....	High Priest.
Roderick Campbell.....	Oriental Guide.
Noble F. Martin.....	Treasurer.
George D. Frank (Utica, N. Y.).....	Recorder.
Herbert H. Clock.....	First Cer. Master.
John H. Grant.....	Second Cer. Master.
Francis K. Baxter.....	Director.
James A. Owens.....	Marshal.
Charles F. Geerer.....	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin J. Thomas.....	Outer Guard.

Founded October 30, 1877.—Number of Members, 325.

53.—ZUHRAH TEMPLE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

John A. Schlener (425 Nicollet Ave.).....	Potentate.
Hugh Kirkwood.....	Chief Rabban.
Joseph H. Dobbin.....	Assistant Rabban.
Robert G. Evans.....	High Priest.
Joshua W. Nash.....	Oriental Guide.
James M. Williams.....	Treasurer.
H. M. Myers (10 S. Seventh St.).....	Recorder.
Josiah B. Hudson.....	First Cer. Master.
T. E. Mercer.....	Second Cer. Master.
John P. Harrison.....	Director.
C. D. Boyce.....	Marshal.
Hiram M. Lyon.....	Captain of Guard.
William Cove.....	Outer Guard.

Founded July 25, 1885.—Number of Members, 185.

STATES WITH TEMPLES,

JUNE 23, 1890.

1.	Arkansas	Sahara Temple.
2.	California.....	Al Malaikah and Islam Temples.
3.	Colorado.....	El Jebel Temple.
4.	Connecticut	Pyramid Temple.
5.	Dakota.....	El Riad Temple.
6.	District of Columbia.....	Almas Temple.
7.	Florida.....	Morocco Temple.
8.	Georgia.....	Yaarab Temple.
9.	Illinois.....	Medinah and Salaam Temple.
10.	Indiana.....	Murat Temple.
11.	Iowa.....	El Kahir and Kaaba Temples.
12.	Kansas.....	Abdallah and Isis Temples.
13.	Kentucky.....	Kosair Temple.
14.	Louisiana.....	Jerusalem Temple.
15.	Maryland.....	Boumi Temple.
16.	Massachusetts.....	Aleppo Temple.
17.	Michigan.....	Moslem and Saladin Temples.
18.	Minnesota.....	Osman and Zuhrah Temples.
19.	Missouri.....	Ararat, Moila and Moolah Temples.
20.	Montana.....	Algeria Temple.
21.	Nebraska.....	Sesostris and Tangier Temples.
22.	New Mexico.....	Ballut Abyad Temple.
23.	New York.....	{ Cyprus, Damascus, Ismailia, Kismet. Mecca, Oriental and Ziyara Temples.
24.	North Dakota.....	El Zagal Temple.
25.	Ohio.....	Al. Koran and Syrian Temples.
26.	Oregon.....	Al Kader Temple.
27.	Pennsylvania.....	Lu Lu and Syria Temples.
28.	Rhode Island.....	Palestine Temple.
29.	Tennessee.....	Alhambra Temple.
30.	Texas.....	Hella Temple.
31.	Vermont.....	Mount Sinai Temple.
32.	Virginia.....	Acca Temple.
33.	Washington.....	Affi Temple.
34.	West Virginia.....	Osiris Temple.
35.	Wisconsin	Tripoli Temple.
36.	Canada.....	Ramesis Temple.

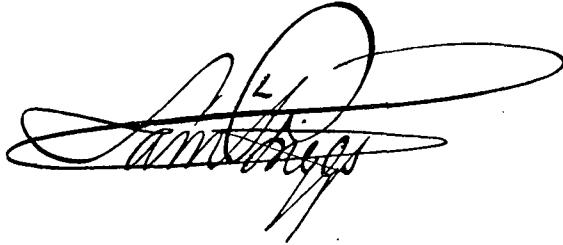
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CLOSING OF IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

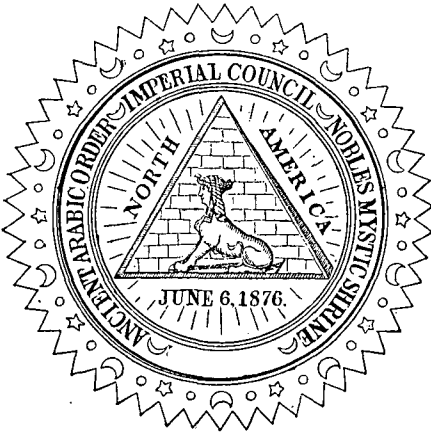
The Imperial Council, at five o'clock P. M., was closed in Ample Form, with due Invocation and Declaration.

PUBLICATION.

The Proceedings of the Sixteenth Session are hereby approved for publication.



Imperial Potentate.



Attest:



Imperial Recorder.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.	
THEODORE ELMENDORF.....	<i>Imperial Assistant Guard.</i>
CLEVELAND, OHIO.	

IMPERIAL COUNCIL,
ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER
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FOR
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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION, 1891.

PURSUANT to Resolution of June 23, 1890, the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America was held at Niagara Falls, N. Y., on Nahar el Etnin, the 2d day of the eleventh Arabic month of Zulkada, A. H. 1308, corresponding to Tuesday, the 9th day of June, A. D. 1891, at 9 o'clock A. M., and in accordance with the Notice issued to all Officers, Members, and Temples, as follows:

IMPERIAL COUNCIL,
ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER
OF THE
NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE,
FOR
NORTH AMERICA.

ES SELAMU ALEIKUM !

{ OFFICE OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE,
{ CLEVELAND, OHIO, May 1, 1891.

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE:

The Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for the United States of America will hold its Seventeenth Annual Session on Tuesday, June 9, 1891, at 9 o'clock A. M., at Al Beyt Ullahi 'l Haram, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

The headquarters of the Congress will be at the hotel, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

All Nobles who will be in attendance are respectfully requested to correspond with Noble Charles W. Cushman, Potentate of Ismailia Temple, Chapin Block, Buffalo, N. Y., in reference to rooms, that accommodations may be secured in time.

It is earnestly hoped that the officers and representatives will be in attendance.

It is absolutely necessary that delegates should arrive at Niagara Falls by Monday evening, June 8, to facilitate dispatch of business on June 9.

TEMPLES UNDER DISPENSATION.—Temples under dispensation are hereby ordered to transmit to the Imperial Recorder a full report of all work done up to June 1, 1891, with the fee for all Nobles and the annual dues, and accompanied with the Dispensation, for the consideration of the Imperial Council.

BUSINESS.—The active members of the Imperial Council are hereby requested to transmit immediately to the Imperial Recorder any complaints, suggestions, amendments, resolutions, motions, or other special business, that unnecessary delay may be avoided during the session.

COMMITTEES.—All committees are requested to have their reports ready for presentation at the session, as far as possible. The following are the standing committees:

I. *Transactions of the Imperial Officers.*—Nobles Wayland Trask, Ethelbert F. Allen, Mathew R. Wolff.

II. *Dispensations and Charters.*—Nobles Richard P. Marvin, Jr., James H. Thompson, William Ryan.

III. *Finance and Accounts.*—Nobles E. B. Jordan, B. W. Rowell, W. A. Stiles.

IV. *Grievances and Appeals.*—Nobles J. B. Eakins, G. P. Balmain, E. C. Culp.

V. *Jurisprudence and Laws.*—Nobles William B. Melish, Jos. L. Dobbin, William H. Mayo.

VI. *Mileage and Pay of Representatives.*—Nobles Jos. S. Wright, Samuel E. Watson, Geo. R. Metcalf.

VII. *Foreign Correspondence.*—Nobles William S. Paterson, Samuel E. Watson, Frederick Leibrandt.

VIII. *Ritual.*—Nobles John W. Boyle, Cyrus W. Eaton, Thomas J. Hudson, George C. Conner, William B. Melish.

IX. *Deceased Members.*—Nobles William C. Nickum, Charles H. Heaton, Joseph K. Ashby.

X. *Credentials.*—Nobles L. P. Ecker, G. H. Walker.

XI. *Calendar.*—Noble William S. Paterson.

SPECIAL SESSION.—The question of date for holding a special session, as requested by a constitutional number of representatives, was submitted to the members of the Imperial Council, and the vote thereon was as follows: June 10, 1; June 9, 18; June 8, 11; May 3, —; anytime, 12; early, 2; can't say, 1; not necessary, 12; not voting, 18. Total, 74. Therefore the date of SPECIAL SESSION is fixed for June 9, and the hour for consideration of the matters intended for such session may be determined by the IMPERIAL COUNCIL in regular annual session convened on that date.

Your presence at this coming session of the Imperial Council is fraternally solicited.

Faithfully yours,

SAM. BRIGGS,

FRANK M. LUCE,

Imperial Potentate.

Imperial Recorder, 167 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

PRESENT AT OPENING.

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" THOMAS J. HUDSON.....	Imperial Assistant Rabban.
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" CHARLES L. FIELD.....	Imperial Outer Guard.

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" GUSTAVE ANDERSON.....	Omaha, Neb.
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"	WILLIAM C. NICKUM.....	Baltimore, Md.
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"	WILLIAM RYAN.....	Louisville, Ky.
"	HENRY SETZER.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
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"	EDWIN A. THRALL.....	New York, N. Y.
"	JAMES TYLER.....	Lincoln, Neb.

The Imperial Council.

Noble SAMUEL E. WATSON.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.
“ SYDNEY F. WALKER.....	New York, N. Y.
“ GEORGE H. WALKER.....	Washington, D. C.
“ JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.

VISITORS.

A large number of the Nobles of the Order, who were visitors from various parts of the United States and Canada, were present during the session.

OPENING.

The Imperial Council in Annual Session was opened in full Ceremonial Form.

The IMPERIAL HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET delivered the solemn Invocation of the Order.

The Imperial Council was declared open in Ample Form, and in order for business.

The Roll of Officers was called, those present are recorded above, and appointments were made to fill the vacancies temporarily, as noted in the list of Officers.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

The Imperial Recorder announced that the Proceedings of the Sixteenth Annual Session had been printed, and sent to all members of the Imperial Council, and to all Temples.

On motion, the reading of the last Annual Proceedings was dispensed with.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the Proceedings of the Sixteenth Annual Session, as printed, be, and they are hereby, approved and adopted.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Most Illustrious Potentate, SAM. BRIGGS, submitted and delivered the following address :

CLEVELAND, O., June 1st, 1891.

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL :

“ES SELAMU ALEIKUM.”

ILLUSTRIOUS ASSOCIATES :

With the time-honored salutation of peace and good will, I greet you on the occasion of the Seventeenth Session of this Imperial Council, and in accordance with the requirements of the law I present a brief *resume* of the transactions of the past year.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

There is comparatively but little to note concerning the advance of the Order during the past twelve-month. In some localities—notably where Temples have recently been established—there appears the enthusiasm which always characterizes the advent of a new social organization, while in the older established Temples there now obtains a conservatism born of earlier experience, which tends more toward the cultivation of the associations and friendships already formed through the influence of the Order, rather than a desire to increase the numerical strength by the indiscriminate addition of the profane.

THE FRATERNAL DEAD.

Another occasion of the invasion of the active membership of our Council by the fateful messenger of Death has occurred during the past year, by which two of our number have been called within the portals of the unseen Temple.

BENJAMIN DARLINGTON, 33°, whose loss we deplore and whose memory we revere, was by birth, education and residence a man of this community and closely identified with the interests of the people.

He was born October 26, 1840, in the city of Pittsburgh, County of Allegheny, State of Pennsylvania, in which city he always made his home, and received his education in the public schools thereof.

His career both as a man and Mason was progressive; the circles of his influence were constantly widening, his abilities, discretion and sound judgment were the means of constantly increasing his large circle of friends and adding lustre to his name. All who came in contact with him, in the discharge of any duty, were impressed with the simplicity of his character, the truthfulness of his expressions, the breadth and liberality of his mind and his soundness and accuracy of judgment.

His public services were diversified in character and of advantage to the people.

In the most perilous time of his country's history, when the fate of the nation seemed to be trembling in the balance, his services were promptly offered in its defence.

He enlisted and served during the War of the Rebellion in the 9th Pennsylvania Reserves, and was one of the few who refused a commission when tendered, preferring to carry the musket of the private soldier and to share in the privation and hardships of the rank and file rather than to wear the sword of the commissioned officer, and thus receive the benefits and advantages thereby conferred.

He was a member of Post 259, Grand Army of the Republic.

In civil life he had the respect and confidence of his fellow-citizens, and by them was frequently elected to positions of trust.

He was a member of the city council from the 18th ward of the city of Pittsburgh, of which he was a resident when that section became a portion of the city by consolidation. By his removal therefrom to the 2d ward of the city, his seat became vacant, but his new neighbors, having learned the sterling character of the man, honored him and themselves by returning him to that body of which he had been an honored member.

On his retirement from the Select Council he was elected a member of the board of Fire Commissioners of the city and was honored by that body by being selected as its president, and served in that position until the last year of its existence, when failing health compelled his retirement. The high state of efficiency of the fire department during his administration of its affairs attests further his ability and fidelity to trusts reposed in him. He retired with the affectionate remembrance of the members of the department and the warm regards of his fellow-citizens.

He was appointed by President Garfield, Postmaster of Pittsburgh. The appointment was unsolicited, in fact without fore-knowledge upon his part, and he was only induced to yield an acceptance by the solicitation, almost general, of the business men of this community. He remained in this position for about six (6) months, effecting in that time a thorough re-organization and the adoption of many improvements of advantage to the people; but here the task was too arduous, and failing health again commanded his retirement. The postmaster-general highly complimented him by letter for his excellent administration of the affairs of the office.

He was an earnest member of the First Presbyterian Church and marked for his liberality, contributing freely to the calls made for assistance, and noted for his private charities. His benefactions were frequent; known, however, only to himself and the recipients.

His Masonic career was none the less marked by his progressive character.

The following is his Masonic record:

Blue Lodge.—Entered in McCandless Lodge No. 390 March 11, 1869. Passed, April, 1869. Raised, May 13, 1869. Junior Warden, year ending December 27, 1872. Senior Warden, year ending, December 27, 1873. Worshipful Master, year ending December 27, 1874.

Represented Lodge 390 in the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888.

Chapter.—Made a Royal Arch Mason in Duquesne Chapter, No. 193, June 1, 1870.

Made a Royal and Select Master in Mount Moriah Council No. 2, September 5, 1870.

Commandery.—Made a Knight Templar October 10, 1870, in Pittsburgh Commandery No. L.

Elected and served as Generalissimo for Templar year ending May, 1878, in Tancred Commandery No. 48.

Elected and served as Eminent Commander for Templar year ending May 1879, in same Commandery.

Consistory.—Received the Ineffable Degrees in Gourgas Gr. L. of P., June 21, 1871, in which body he was elected and served as Jr. Gr. Warden from February 19, 1874, to February 4, 1875.

Sr. Gr. Warden, from February 4, 1875, to February 16, 1876.

Received the Ancient Traditional Grades in Pennsylvania Grand Council, June 22, 1871.

Princes of Jerusalem, in which body he was elected and served as M. E. J. G. W., from January 5, 1876, to January 3, 1877.

Received the Philosophical and Doctrinal Grades June 23, 1871, from Pittsburgh Grand Chapter of Rose Croix, H. R. D. M., in which body he was elected and served as Grand Orator.

Received the modern Historical and Chivalric Grades in Pennsylvania Sovereign Grand Consistory, S. P. R. S. 32, June 30, 1871. Supreme Council.

Created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33d and last degree at Boston, Mass., September 18, 1888.

He was a Charter Member of Syria Temple which was organized in May, 1877, and served as director until a short time before his death.

Died, Saturday, March 7, 1891.

He was kind of heart, unassuming in manner, of a genial disposition, a delightful companion, and each person of his acquaintance regarded him as a personal friend.

Thus has gone from our midst one who in life was modest and unassuming, and who has left a record of intelligent and well-directed effort, of deep sympathy for the afflicted, and of devoted service to the public as well as to his Masonic brethren. He may well serve as a model for coming generations, and we are led to deplore a loss that cannot readily be replaced.

He was a good citizen, good Mason, and a man worthy of esteem, and on his tablet may well be placed the words: "Here lies a man."

WILLIAM NELSON BALDWIN was born in Laurel, Md., near Baltimore, July 31, 1839, and died in Cleveland, Ohio, March 8, 1891.

He attended the public schools in his native city and afterwards the high school in the Monumental City, where he graduated with honors; studied mechanical engineering and afterwards followed it as a profession in the capacity of chief engineer on Atlantic steamship lines. He subsequently removed to Pittsburgh, Penn., and afterwards to Connellsville, Penn., engaging in mercantile and mechanical pursuits till the year 1879, when he removed with his family to Helena, Mont., and embarked in mercantile business for a time, till called, in 1885, to accept the Republican nomination for treasurer of Lewis and Clarke County, to which office he was twice elected, serving in all four years. He was also school-trustee for a term.

Retiring from office he engaged in mercantile business in Livingston, Mont., for a short time, after which he removed to Cleveland, Ohio, to become an officer and stockholder in the Empire Plow Works.

Prior to his removal to Cleveland, he was an active, enthusiastic member of the Masonic bodies located at Helena, Mont. He affiliated in Helena Lodge No. 3, A. F. & A. M., December 4, 1880, as a dimitted member of Phoenix Lodge No. 139, A. F. & A. M., of Maryland. He affiliated in Helena Chapter No. 2, R. A. M., February 6, 1882, as a dimitted member from Druid Chapter No. 28, R. A. M., of Maryland. He affiliated in Helena Commandery No. 2, K. T., March 28, 1882, as a dimitted member from Kedron Commandery No. 18, K. T., of Pennsylvania. He was elected Generalissimo of Helena Commandery No. 2, K. T., in 1888, and Eminent Commander in 1889.

Through his instrumentality the commandery received an impetus never before known in its history. On the organization of Algeria Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Helena, March 23d, 1888, he became a charter member thereof, and was elected Illustrious Potentate, and in the following year was re-elected to the office. He was also a charter member of the bodies of the Scottish Rite Degrees at Helena.

The Grand Commandery of the State of Vermont, at their meeting in 1889, appointed him their representative for the State of Montana, which appointment he held at the time of his death.

TRANSACTIONS OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

Beyond the duties required by the Constitution, I note no extraordinary services performed by any officers of this body of sufficient import to call for any especial mention under this caption.

My correspondence with the Imperial Recorder and Imperial Treasurer, has been most satisfactory, and I do not recall any instance of unfavorable criticism, even in the slightest degree, by any who have had official relations with either of these departments.

AUTHORITIES GRANTED TO SPECIAL DEPUTIES.

I have delegated the Imperial authority in but two instances since the last session of this body: I commissioned Illustrious George W. Millar, of New York, to institute El Katif Temple at Spokane, Wash., and similar authority was delegated to Illustrious Charles W. Cushman, of Buffalo, N. Y., to inspect and report upon the condition of Damascus Temple at Rochester, N. Y. The reports of both deputies accompany this address.

COMMUNICATION OF THE ORDER.

For reasons deemed to be proper authorization was granted to Illustrious Louis P. Ecker, of Richmond, Va., to communicate the Order to the Very Eminent Sir William B. Isaacs, Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States.

BY-LAWS.

I submit herewith the By-Laws of Boumi and Tangier Temples, both of which have been approved, subject to revision by the committee on jurisprudence and laws. I also submit the By-Laws of Media Temple, U. D., of Watertown, N. Y., for the consideration of the same committee.

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.

In accordance with the directions of the Imperial Council at their last annual session, charters have been issued to Alhambra, El Zagel, Sahara, Tangier and Yaarab Temples.

Dispensations for special purposes the past year being largely for the holding of special observances and receiving and acting upon petitions on similar occasions, these matters have not been considered of sufficient importance to either record or report in this address.

DISPENSATIONS FOR TEMPLES.

Have been granted as follows :

November 10, 1890. George S. Obear and others for the formation of Zamora Temple, at Birmingham, Ala.

March 19, 1891. Richard H. Huntington and others for Media Temple, at Watertown, N. Y.

April 18, 1891. Bun F. Price and others for Al Chymia Temple, at Memphis, Tenn.

June—1891. Charles S. Morse and others for Ben Hur Temple, at Austin, Tex.

The Temple at Birmingham, Ala., was recommended by Kosair Temple, at Louisville, Ky. Media Temple is within the jurisdiction of, and was consented to by Ziyara Temple, of Utica, N. Y., and the Temple at Memphis, Tenn., is within the jurisdiction of, and recommended by Alhambra Temple, at Chattanooga, Tenn.

OTHER AUTHORITIES GRANTED.

Lulu Temple of Philadelphia has received authority to hold observances and confer the order in the state of New Jersey at any time prior to the establishment of a Temple in that state.

Correspondence, looking to the establishment of Temples, has been had with parties interested at Des Moines, Iowa, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Ogdensburg, N. Y., Erie, Pa., and Galveston, Texas.

In regard to the proposed establishment of a Temple at Galveston, Texas, I would submit that there are at present none but sojourning members of the Order resident at that city.

The nearest Temple of the Order is Hella Temple situate at Dallas, Texas, between three and four hundred miles distant, and the distance is too great

to reasonably expect that any accessions could be had to Hella Temple from Galveston or vicinity.

The state of Texas is larger I believe than Continental Europe—leaving out the Dominion of the Tsar, and consequently distances are somewhat appalling even when

“Green fields and pastures new,”

are the objective at the end of the journey.

It would seem that in view of the fact, the situation of Galveston, its growing importance as the commercial sea-port of Texas, if not of the entire southern district, should influence this Imperial Council to exercise its prerogative—and which I trust will become a portion of the law at this session—and grant authority to create the necessary number of petitioners and establish a Temple at that city.

I am satisfied that there are abundant valid reasons for such action, and the correspondence already had, together with the verbal testimony of those members of the Order who are resident there, would seem to warrant the belief that a Temple at Galveston would be eventually advantageous.

CHARTERS.

I have received from the Potentate of Media Temple a communication setting forth their desire for a charter, and giving abundant well-founded reasons for such favorable action by this Imperial Council.

I submit the same to you through the proper committee, and in this connection would endorse their plea, and also ask that each of the other Temples now under dispensation be granted charters, they being located in flourishing business localities where they would receive a great impetus by reason of such concession at your hands.

REPORT OF INSTITUTION OF EL KATIF TEMPLE.

NEW YORK, May 18, 1891.

SAMUEL BRIGGS, Esq.,

Imperial Potentate, A. A. O. N. M. S.,

Cleveland, Ohio.

Illustrious Sir :—The very pleasing duty you assigned me, that of acting as your Special Deputy to institute El Katif Temple at Spokane Falls, Wash., was performed under very agreeable auspices on the afternoon of Thursday, July 31, 1890, in the Masonic Hall at that beautiful city.

We were a band of Shrine Pilgrims of Mecca, en route to the Pacific Coast, and had been right royally received and entertained by every Temple through whose domain we traversed, especially so at the Oasis of Algeria Temple of Helena, Montana, some twenty of whose officers and nobles headed by Ill. Potentates C. B. Nolan, William N. Baldwin and John W. Thompson, in a special car attached to our train, kindly volunteered at our request to accompany us to Spokane Falls and confer the degree the follow-

ing evening upon a large class of novices, our time schedule being such that we were compelled to leave on our westward journey at seven o'clock that evening, and thereby tearing ourselves away from one of the most pleasant and agreeable family gatherings of our joyous pilgrimage.

Upon our arrival at Spokane Falls we were met by Ill. Noble Clarence H. Scott, Potentate of El Katif Temple, and a large delegation of nobles and their ladies with carriages in waiting. After a drive through the city down to the famous falls, and over the several bridges, we were conducted to the Spokane Hotel, where our ladies were left in charge of the Spokane ladies.

The Nobles then repaired to the Masonic Hall, where the ceremony of institution took place; after which, assisted by Nobles Joseph B. Eakins, James McGee and S. R. Ellison, M. D., of Mecca, Thaddeus Beecher of Pyramid of Bridgeport, Conn., and Nobles Baldwin, Nolan and Thompson, of Algeria Temple of Helena, we duly installed the officers of El Katif Temple.

At the termination of the installation, the ladies and nobles sat down to a magnificent banquet, specially prepared in our honor, in the immense dining hall at the Spokane Hotel.

The caliber of El Katif's Nobles with whom we came in contact warrants the prediction that she will hold a position in the front rank of Temples holding allegiance to the Imperial Council.

I am deeply gratified for the attentions and courtesies extended to not alone myself but my fellow pilgrims at Mecca.

Very courteously yours in the Shrine,

GEO. W. MILLAR.

REPORT OF INSPECTION OF DAMASCUS TEMPLE.

OASIS OF BUFFALO, N. Y., March 28, 1891.

SAM. BRIGGS, Esq.,

Imperial Potentate, A. A. O. N. M. S.,

Cleveland, O.

Illustrious Sir:—The honor conferred upon me by you, in your letter dated March 19, in which you authorize me as special deputy to be present at the meeting of Damascus Temple, of Rochester, N. Y., on March 25, came duly to hand.

In compliance with your request, I visited Damascus Temple, on the evening in question, and was received with the regular honors due the representative of the Imperial Potentate; Illustrious Geo. F. Loder extended all the prerequisites necessary for a most social reception. Eighty candidates traversed the hot sands and were made happy under the protecting dome of Damascus. About twelve o'clock three hundred marched to the traditional banquet room, where speeches, singing and social enjoyment lasted until the early morn.

I find that Damascus Temple is in a flourishing condition.

Illustrious Loder is again at the wheel, and joy reigns supreme in that body. The work was exemplified in a beautiful manner, and I can fully recommend to you that Damascus Temple is all right and A No. 1 in every respect.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me, I remain,
 Courteously and fraternally yours,

CHAS. W. CUSHMAN.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Illustrious Noble John Worthington, United States Consul at Malta, and our representative in the East, has returned to his post of duty, and from thence has revisited his old home in the state of New York. He forwards a very interesting report on the condition of the Order in the East, and it is submitted to you on this occasion. I congratulate the Order upon the recovery of Illustrious Noble Worthington and his return to that field of usefulness wherein he has labored so long and successfully.

EXPENSES OF IMPERIAL OFFICE.

For the year ending June 9, 1891, the expenses of this office have been as follows:

Stationery, postage and printing	\$ 146 96
Office expenses	138 29
Traveling expenses for self and special deputies.....	237 50
109 days @ \$5.00.....	545 00
	\$1067 75

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

From an abstract of the Report of the Imperial Recorder I find the following figures showing the receipts from the various sources of revenue of this body:

Year ending.	Dues.	Dip. Fees.	Rituals.	Disps.	
June 10, '90.	\$1,640 00	\$7,532 00	\$ 75 00	\$450 00	\$9,697 00
May 28, '91.	1,920 00	7,016 00	110 00	750 00	9,796 00
Increase,	\$ 280 00		\$ 35 00	\$300 00	\$ 99 00

Showing a decrease of \$516.00 in the important item of diploma fees. This fact should merit your consideration, and I would practically repeat the suggestion made in my address of last year, viz: That each subordinate Temple be required to pay twenty (20) cents per member as annual dues, and no Temple less than fifty (50) dollars per annum, and that the diploma fee be increased to four (4) dollars, and that but one-half of the revenue from this source be devoted to mileage and per diem expenses; that is, no representative or representatives shall be entitled to mileage beyond *one-half* the aggregate amount paid to the Imperial Council for annual dues and diploma fees for that year, by such Temple as he or they represent.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

There is but one instance to report under this head, which resulted in the suspension of the charter of Ziyara Temple, of Utica, N. Y. The circumstances attending the case are as follows :

About the 1st of October, 1890, it was brought to my notice that several Knights Templar, resident of the city of Cleveland, Ohio, had been illegally received into Ziyara Temple of Utica, N. Y., while said Temple was in session at Ogdensburg, N. Y., within its jurisdiction, and during a pilgrimage to Montreal, Canada, in August, 1890.

The precaution which had been taken by these Knights to conceal the matter (two of them having been rejected several times by Al Koran Temple) gave rise to the suspicion that they had foisted themselves upon Ziyara Temple by false representations.

Acting upon the authority of the Constitution I made request, September 29th, to the Potentate of Ziyara Temple that he instruct his Recorder to send me at once *all* the original petitions which were received and acted upon at the Ogdensburg session.

A number of petitions were forwarded me by the Recorder, in compliance with the order of Potentate of Ziyara Temple, *but the petitions of the parties from Cleveland were not included in the package.*

Observing that nearly all the petitions received at Ogdensburg were recommended by one party, I wrote to said party, October 11th, enquiring if certain Knights, whose names were mentioned, had been received into the Order on that occasion.

On the same date I returned to the Recorder the petitions I had already received, and asked him for the names of *all* the initiates received at Ogdensburg, especially mentioning names of the Cleveland Knights, and in this connection I wrote the Potentate to similar effect, and desiring that the petitions be sent to me.

On the 14th October I received a note from the Recorder to the effect that the Potentate would reply to my communication.

From the Noble at Ogdensburg, who recommended the petitions, I learned that the Knights from Cleveland presented regular petitions to the Potentate and Nobles of Ziyara Temple, were balloted for, accepted and received the Order on the 12th August, 1890.

Not having a reply from the Potentate, I again addressed him October 18, and with his communication, October 23 (or about the same date), I received copies of the petitions which state correctly the residence, affiliations and names of the applicants.

About the 27th October I was shown a letter written by the Ogdensburg Noble who endorsed the petitions, to one of the petitioners at Cleveland ; thereupon I asked the endorser certain questions to which the following replies were made in substance, as follows : A Noble (name given) resident at Ogdensburg, suggested to one of the petitioners then sojourning at that

place that perhaps he could take the Order when Ziyara Temple made their visit. Shortly after *two officers* of the Temple visited Ogdensburg to make arrangements for pilgrimage, and which officers, in response to inquiry, made answer that "while the petitioner was out of jurisdiction there was no doubt but such petition would be received." And such advice was taken as law and acted upon. Further, my correspondent states that he "*did* know that at a former pilgrimage to our city they received and conferred the Order on men from Michigan, Indiana, Minnesota, Massachusetts and Canada. 'And Noble ——— (one of the officers of Ziyara and one of the committee mentioned above) told me that if the Recorder of our Commandery (who is acquainted in Brockville, Canada,) would get eight candidates from Brockville (as he thought he could) said Recorder would have the Order conferred on him *gratis*."

The sojourner from Cleveland said he had some friends coming from Cleveland to visit him, and on the theory above set forth I told him that I thought they could—and they did.

I was present when the Temple convened and the petitions were presented at that time. * * * Petitions were read in *full* before Temple took action.

I have as *thorough knowledge of jurisdiction (Masonically)* as any Knight Templar in the land ; but from the loose way in which the matter had been treated so far as I knew at these pilgrimages, I made up my mind it was a sort of "go as you please."

The above is the statement of the circumstances under which five (5) Knights Templar resident for years in the city of Cleveland (two of whom had been rejected by Al Koran Temple) were illegally received by Ziyara Temple.

Subsequent correspondence with other jurisdictions has elicited the fact that other jurisdictions have been similarly invaded and candidates taken surreptitiously and with no more formality than cited in the foregoing recital.

At a previous pilgrimage to Ogdensburg by Ziyara Temple, one P. R. Smith, giving his residence as Akron, Ohio, (within which jurisdiction of Al Koran Temple he did live for a period embracing portions of the years 1888-89, and since has resided for about eighteen months next preceding February, 1891, within the jurisdiction of Mecca Temple at New York,) was received into the Order without constitutional consent being given.

Charles E. Reed, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, has always resided there, and his Masonic affiliations are all in that state and within the jurisdiction of Murat Temple, was received in Ziyara Temple without constitutional consent about February 15, 1889.

The above violations of law constitute the reasons for the suspension of the charter of Ziyara Temple, under the edict issued November 24, 1890.

In this connection it may be well to state that Ziyara Temple and Damascus Temple (at Rochester) bear upon their rolls members at present not resi-

dent in their present jurisdictions, and charges and counter charges have been made of infraction of the law by each. Damascus Temple was founded in 1875, and Ziyara Temple in 1877, but I have been unable to substantiate any dates of infringements for the reason that the Recorders and Potentates of either Temple have not taken any heed of correspondence in the matter, which would assist investigation.

At interviews subsequently held with members of Ziyara Temple both in person and by letter, the necessity was made apparent for an early session of said Temple, that the ordinary business of the body might be transacted, the reasons for the withdrawal of the charter might be stated, and an investigation had as to the responsibility for the offences, and that the condition of the finances might be examined, and the arrears to the Imperial Council adjusted.

In pursuance of this desire, which seemed to be reasonable and proper, I withdrew the suspension of charter for one evening (Wednesday, February 18, 1891,) to allow an election of officers and the transaction of any other proper business except the receiving of petitions and the conferring of the Order.

This dispensation was not satisfactory to some of the members, and it was returned January 29.

On the eleventh day of February the dispensation was again issued for a session to be held for similar purposes on the evening of Wednesday, March 4, 1891. The meeting was held, the violation of the law in not forwarding the diploma fee at once to Imperial Recorder was admitted, and the responsibility for this omission placed upon the Recorder of the Temple.

The election of officers and other routine business was dispatched.

About the first of November, 1890, a complaint was made by a member of Ziyara Temple that the diplomas to which he and the class received at the same date were entitled, had not been delivered, although they had been received into the Order nearly a year previously.

An inquiry into this matter, through the office of the Imperial Recorder, revealed the fact that the requirements of the law in this instance had been violated to the detriment and annoyance of the initiate whom this statute was framed to protect, and to the perversion of the revenue of the Imperial Council.

Again another cause of action against Ziyara Temple has been urged, namely, a violation of Article XV. of the Constitution, prescribing the minimum fee to be twenty-five dollars for the Order.

While an officer of the Temple and some of the members disclaim the idea that any allowance, rebate or concession has ever been made from the constitutional amount, yet others who should have some knowledge of the matter are equally positive that this amount has been materially discounted in certain instances, and that to the great dissatisfaction and annoyance of the officers of law-abiding Temples in adjoining jurisdictions.

This matter has several times during the past two years been called to my attention, and now I am almost positive that evidence could be procured to substantiate the fact, if not from the reports of the Recorder and Treasurer of said Temple, then it might be proven by either the statements of initiates or parties to whom such proposals had been made.

A document which has been placed in my hands might give some light on this subject, were I released from the *confidential clause* which I must honor.

These constitute the violations of the law by reason of which the Charter of Ziyara Temple has been continuously withheld until this session of the Imperial Council, as the law specially provides *shall* be done.

SPECIAL SESSIONS.

As a request in proper and legal form was made to me desiring a special session to hear and determine the matters at issue in the suspension of the Charter of Ziyara Temple, and as no motive other than the general good of the Order has led me to defer such call until such session might be merged in this regular annual session, I will give my reasons for this action.

The general principle of economy in the administration of the affairs of this Imperial Council was laid down at the last session of this body, and the expense to be incurred at a special session was not warranted by any exigency in the present case.

The following provisions of the Constitution have been the guide for my actions in this case, and seem to bear directly upon its several features.

Article V Section 1 of the Constitution: "The Imperial Potentate is the executive officer of the Order within the jurisdiction of this Imperial Council."

Secs. 2 and 3: "When in his judgment the good of the Order requires it, he shall have power to call special sessions of the Imperial Council, specifying the business to be laid before it."

Sec. 4: "During the recess of the Imperial Council, he is invested with a general supervision of the Order throughout the jurisdiction."

Sec. 7: "He may do all such other acts and perform all such other duties not inconsistent with this Constitution, and in his judgment the interest of the Order requires."

Acting by virtue of these clauses of the Constitution, and also by virtue of Sec. 2, Art. I, which places in the Imperial Council "the power to issue edicts, to grant dispensations and charters and to amend or *revoke* the same," and holding that I am the representative of the Imperial Council during the interim between sessions, and possessing the power which is delegated to the Imperial Council by itself, I hold that I had the authority to use the same means to secure respect for the law as the Council had when in absolute session, being amenable for my acts only to the Imperial Council in session assembled.

In the instance of Ziyara Temple the following provisions of the Constitution have been violated :

ARTICLE XIV.

SECTION 2.—A Temple shall not act upon a petition for initiation or membership of any one residing within the jurisdiction of another Temple, without first obtaining permission of such Temple. It shall be competent in such cases for a Temple to waive its jurisdiction, and permit another Temple to receive as a member, or confer the Order, upon one residing within its jurisdiction; and such authority shall be given only under the seal of the Temple so granting it.

ARTICLE XV.—INITIATION FEE.

The Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine shall not be conferred upon any one for a less sum than twenty-five (25) dollars; but Temples may increase the amount at their pleasure.

ARTICLE XVI.—FEES AND REVENUE.

SECTION 2.—Each subordinate Temple shall pay to the Imperial Council the sum of two (2) dollars for each and every candidate receiving the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine within such Temple, which sum shall be forwarded immediately to the Imperial Recorder, who shall forthwith issue a diploma of the Imperial Council to each and every candidate.

ARTICLE XXI.—ENTHRONEMENT.

Previous to the enthronement of a Potentate-elect, the Imperial Council requires his assent to the following ordinances:

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Fourth. That you will ever maintain and support the authority of the Imperial Council for North America, and enforce obedience to its Constitution, Regulations and Edicts.

ARTICLE XXII.—ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE—DUTIES.

The Illustrious Potentate is specially charged to see that the by-laws of his Temple are duly observed, as well as the Constitution, Regulations and Edicts of the Imperial Council; that accurate records are kept and just accounts rendered; that regular returns are made to the Imperial Council, and that the annual dues are promptly paid.

ARTICLE XXXII.—ANNUAL RETURNS.

Every subordinate Temple shall, on or before the 15th day of January in each year, transmit to the Imperial Recorder, in such form as shall be furnished, its annual return, accompanied by the dues to the Imperial Council, as provided by Article XVI of this Constitution.

The initiation fee of two dollars for every initiate shall accompany the annual return, in accordance with Article XVI of this Constitution.

Any Temple neglecting or refusing to make its annual returns on or before January 15, accompanied by the fees and dues, shall be notified thereof; and if, after three months' notice, it fail to fully comply, it shall be sus-

pended by the Imperial Potentate until restored by a vote of the Imperial Council.

Concerning the diploma fee in the matter of Ziyara Temple, I desire to say that the correspondence between said Temple and the Imperial Recorder would go to show that they had been extremely derelict in the matter of providing diplomas for their initiates and furnishing the necessary revenue in a legal manner and as required by the Constitution of the Imperial Council.

The last annual report of the Treasurer, Recorder and Potentate of said Temple to the members thereof, will establish the fact that they are amenable to discipline for this infraction of the law.

The custom which prevails in admitting visitors from one Temple to another, renders the possession of the diploma by the newly initiated candidate a *desideratum*, and it should be the first duty of the Potentate of the subordinate Temple to see that the Recorder promptly furnishes this passport, that is required by law, to each of the novices.

JURISPRUDENCE AND LAW.

I desire particularly to call your attention to a communication which undoubtedly you have received from the representatives of Islam Temple of San Francisco, Cal., desiring that an amendment be made to the Constitution whereby three black balls shall be required to reject an applicant.

The reasons so cogently set forth in their circular should carry weight and conclusion to the mind of every member of this body, and I trust that such legislation will be had on this occasion as will render their suggestion a part of the fundamental law of the institution at an early day.

EMBLEMS.

For several years past allusions have been made in the address of the Imperial Potentate concerning the improper use of the emblems of the Order for business and other advertising purposes. I again recommend to the Imperial Council such legislation as will render this practice a nullity in the future. In this connection I also again call attention to the useless levity which is often made a portion of the notices of meetings of subordinate Temples. I have alluded to this matter on previous similar occasions, and hope that some definite action will be taken at this time on this subject.

DECISIONS.—OSMAN TEMPLE, ST. PAUL, MINN.

1. A Noble signing a petition for a dispensation for a Temple becomes a member of the Temple under dispensation and is amenable to it for dues. He should pay dues to the Temple of which he was a member prior to the issuing of the dispensation only up to the date of the dispensation to the new Temple, and his membership in the chartered Temple remains in abeyance until a charter is granted the new Temple.

2. If the dispensation to a new Temple is taken up, and no charter issues, the membership of all Nobles reverts to the Temples of which they were members prior to the issuing of the dispensation.

3. When the dispensation to any Temple is recalled, and no charter issues, all Nobles *created* in said Temple become members of the Order at large, subject to the authority of the Imperial Council, and are entitled to a certificate to that effect from the Imperial Recorder, which certificate has the force of a dimit for purposes of affiliation.

4. Upon the receipt of a charter it is the duty of the Potentate of the Temple chartered to cause the Recorder to certify that fact to all Temples in which the charter members formerly held their memberships, and their membership in said Temples thereupon terminates.

Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.—Affiliation is governed by jurisdictional lines, same as petition for the Order, *that is*, no member of the Order resident within your jurisdiction can be received as an affiliate elsewhere without your consent.

NOTE.—This decision may perhaps be regarded as subversive of personal liberty, but it is based on the common Masonic law that gives to the nearest lodge supervision of all non affiliates resident within its jurisdiction.

Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, O.—No member of a subordinate Temple can be *expelled* by a vote of his Temple without formal charges being presented, notice being served upon him, and an opportunity afforded him to be heard in his defense.

RITUAL.

By virtue of the recommendation of the committee on address for the year 1890, I opened a correspondence with Illustrious John W. Boyle concerning the ritual which was unlawfully retained by a former member of this Imperial Council. While Illustrious Noble Boyle has evidently been unable to give the matter any attention, I have reached a possible finality in the matter by receiving a communication from the offending person, who informs me that he has "sold his entire Masonic library and collection as per catalogue, to Gen. Samuel C. Lawrence, of Boston, Mass." While the Imperial Council has not succeeded in obtaining possession of its property, they have the satisfaction of knowing that it has at least been deposited in the archives and possession of a gentleman.*

REVISION OF RITUAL.

The committee for the revision of the Ritual have held several meetings and will submit the result of their labors at this session. In addition to the actual expenses to be allowed such committee by the resolution appointing them one year since, I would recommend that each member of this com-

* It has since been ascertained that the "entire library" was not sold to the party mentioned, Noble James McGee stating that the Ritual in question is in the possession of a person in New York.

mission be allowed \$5 per day for the time spent in going to, returning from, and while at, such business meeting.

CALENDAR.

The matter of the Calendar which was placed in my hands by the Imperial Council at the session of 1890, was relegated by me to the hands of Illustrious William S. Paterson, of New York, at the Pittsburgh session, which trust he accepted. I have written him several times on this subject, but have failed to get an answer relative to the progress he was making in the commission placed in his charge. Illustrious Charles A. Hiller, Potentate of Isis Temple, of Salina, Kansas, has compiled a very neat (and as far as I can observe), correct Calendar, which seems to be adequate for all purposes of the Order. I recommend, in view of the fact that Illustrious Noble Paterson has evidently done nothing in the matter, that the production of Illustrious Noble Hiller be accepted and made the standard Calendar of this Imperial Council.

THE LIBRARY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF IOWA.

I have been made the possessor of photographs of a very elegant Shrine case which has been placed at the disposition of the Grand Lodge of Iowa for the preservation of the publications and other issued articles of this Imperial Council and its subordinates, and I hope that this Imperial body will make proper acknowledgment in their present session to the Librarian of the Grand Body alluded to, Illustrious Theodore Sutton Parvin, and also to the officers and members of El Kahir Temple, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who have been instrumental in securing this depository for the history of this institution.

I would also recommend that each Subordinate Temple be desired to place the Grand Lodge F. & A. M., of Iowa, on their "Exchange List" in order that the collection may be continued for all time.

SUBORDINATE TEMPLES.

It would be difficult to select any notable instance of excellence among the subordinate Temples, especially in the observance of the social features of the Order, and the inculcation of that hospitality and friendly intercourse which is grandly characteristic of our institution.

From each oasis, at frequent intervals, notices are received calling attention to proposed receptions, levees, banquets, excursions, theatre parties, fairs and the myriad of similar devices for the entertainment and delectation of the nobility, their families and friends, and the encouragement of charitable and other commendable enterprises.

All these efforts are tending in the proper direction, and are more calculated to ensure the perpetuity of the Order than would a wilderness of rituals.

An advance has been made by Lulu Temple, of Philadelphia, Pa., far beyond any of the Temples yet established in the Western Hemisphere. The laudable ambition of the Potentate and his associates have placed the Temple in possession of a building absolutely their own, and now unique as the only Temple in America dedicated exclusively to shrine purposes.

INCORPORATION.

There are various reasons which would seem to urge the incorporation of the Imperial Council, chiefest among which are, *first*, that we may hold our present style and title exclusively, and *second*, that should it become necessary for this body to own property, it would be more convenient to hold the same as a corporation having a legal status.

I am not aware that any steps have been taken for this purpose in the earlier days of the Order, but will strongly recommend some proper preliminary action at this time.

At almost the hour of leaving home for this session of the Imperial Council, I received an official communication from Ill.^l. Noble John Worthington, announcing the demise of Noble CONSTANTINE PAPARRHEGOPONTOS.

CONCLUSION.

Again urging upon you the necessity for much thoughtful legislation regarding our finances and the trust committed to our hands, I have the honor to be

Yours in the faith,

SAM. BRIGGS,

Imperial Potentate.

COOPERSTOWN, N. Y., May 28, 1891.

TO SAM. BRIGGS, IMPERIAL POTENTATE:

Es Selamu Aleikum!

Dear Noble :—The hot sands have been duly trod, and the wide desert of life whose eastern and western horizons are the two eternities having been laboriously and conscientiously traversed, Noble Constantine Paparrhego-pontos rests from his labors, and basks in the smiles of Allah, the merciful, the compassionate. Paparrhego-pontos is dead, and the bektash in the Cycladian Archipelago is in deepest mourning. For seventy-six years he toiled over the rock-ribbed chasms and boulders of historic research, and finally stood sure-footed upon the mountain-top of success, with the Well Done Good and Faithful standard in his honest hand.

It is not given to many scholars to stand on the apex of fulfillment and look back down the rugged path and count the very steps of their upward progress; but it was given Brother Constantine Paparrhego-pontos.

He was born in Constantinople, and having been adopted by relatives living in Odessa, was sent to Paris for his early education. Having gone to

Athens in 1830, he took to writing historical essays, and in a few years was installed as professor in that department in the university there. From 1862 to 1877 he was engaged upon his monumental "History of the Hellenic Nation," which ranks high in the esteem of European scholars. He translated this work into French himself.

It is the same old and beautiful story, repeated again now for the thousandth time,—the inspiration and encouragement accorded the scholar by his connection with and brotherhood in the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. The list of excellent writers and men of letters whose skill with the pen, only less perhaps than their skill with the yataghan, have made them enviable reputations in an Order renowned for her learned and valiant membership, is not the least of the illustrious achievements that causes the records of the bektash to shine with admirable and honorable accomplishment—accomplishment distinctly traceable to affiliation with our Noble Order. The Archives of the Shrine in the East are sprinkled through and through with the names of poets, metaphysicians and historians, who have given to Arabian literature nearly all the highest character and erudition for which it is so justly esteemed by men of light and leading in or out of the Order.

I write this in haste, O Effendi, in order that the American Nobles may at their approaching June conclave take such action upon the death of our Eastern Brother, as shall seem to them fitting. I think it would be eminently proper to drape the name of Constantine Paparrhegopontos in a Lodge of Sorrow. He was a man of genius, industry, fine social qualities, and was noted throughout the Shrine for that greatest of all virtues—unstinted charity.

Profoundly regretting that I cannot be present at the Niagara Falls gathering, believe me, Sire, with personal wishes that you may never know grief,

Faithfully yours,

JOHN WORTHINGTON,

Deputy Representative

of the Temples in the East, stationed at Malta (at present on leave of absence in the United States).

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the altars of the subordinate Temples be draped in mourning during the usual period in grateful remembrance of the virtues of our departed associate. Carried.

ADDRESS REFERRED TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the address of the Imperial Potentate be received, and be referred to the Committee on Transactions of Imperial Officers for subdivision and for reference to the appropriate committees.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed the following Standing Committees:

I.—*Credentials.*

Noble L. P. ECKER,
“ G. H. WALKER,
“ JAS. MCGEE,
“ W. M. BAILEY,
“ DWIGHT BYINGTON.

II.—*Dispensations and Charters.*

Noble RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.
“ JAMES H. THOMPSON,
“ WILLIAM RYAN,
“ THOMAS J. BISHOP,
“ JOHN A. MAY.

III.—*Finance and Accounts.*

Noble E. B. JORDAN,
“ BENJAMIN W. ROWELL,
“ W. A. STILES,
“ CHAS. H. FLACH,
“ JOS. W. SMITH.

IV.—*Grievances and Appeals.*

Noble J. B. EAKINS,
“ G. P. BALMAIN,
“ E. C. CULP,
“ R. E. FLEMING,
“ CHAS. L. FIELD.

V.—*Jurisprudence and Laws.*

Noble WILLIAM B. MELISH,
“ JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
“ W. H. MAYO,
“ CHAS. W. CUSHMAN,
“ GEO. W. MILLAR.

VI.—*Mileage and Pay of Representatives.*

Noble J. S. WRIGHT,
“ SAMUEL E. WATSON,
“ OSCAR M. METCALF,
“ GEO. F. LODER,
“ J. W. KNOWLTON.

And also the following Committees, as sanctioned by the custom prevailing in the past:

VII.—*Foreign Correspondence.*

Noble WILLIAM S. PATERSON,
 “ FREDERICK LEIBRANDT,
 “ CHAS. H. FULLER,
 “ E. A. THRALL,
 “ E. S. BARTLETT.

VIII.—*Ritual.*

Noble JOHN W. BOYLE,
 “ CYRUS W. EATON,
 “ THOMAS J. HUDSON,
 “ GEO. C. CONNOR,
 “ WM. B. MELISH.

IX.—*Deceased Members.*

Noble WILLIAM C. NICKUM,
 “ HENRY A. COLLINS,
 “ J. K. ASHBY,
 “ HENRY STOWELL,
 “ JAS. A. FOX.

X.—*Transactions of the Imperial Officers.*

Noble WAYLAND TRASK,
 “ ETHELBERT F. ALLEN,
 “ THAD. B. BEECHER,
 “ F. J. HARD,
 “ W. J. HILTON.

REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL TREASURER.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., May 30, 1891.

*To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council,
 A. A. O. N. M. S.:*

Your Imperial Treasurer herewith submits his statement of the moneys received and disbursed by him from June 10, 1890, to May 30, 1891:

Receipts.

June 11, 1890.	To balance	\$7,325 45
“ 21, 1890.	“ Cash from Imp. Rec'r, F. M. Luce \$	84 00
Jun. 21, 1891.	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	1,000 00
May 20, 1891.	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	2,000 00

May 21, 1891.	To Cash from Imp. Rec'r, F. M. Luce.	\$3,000 00
" 22, 1891.	" " " " " " "	1,000 00
" 23, 1891.	" " " " " " "	1,000 00
" 25, 1891.	" " " " " " "	600 00
" 26, 1891.	" " " " " " "	1,112 00
		\$ 9,796 00
Total Receipts.....		\$17,121 45

Disbursements.

1890.		
June 14.	A. B. Garman, engrossing 1,130 diplomas, at 5c. each..	\$ 56 50
" 23.	El Zagal Temple guarantee fee returned.....	100 00
" 23.	Sahara " " " "	100 00
" 23.	Tangier " " " "	100 00
" 23.	Joseph S. Wright, per diem and mileage delegates to session of June 23, 1890.....	2,800 05
July 7.	Alhambra Temple, guarantee fee returned.....	100 00
" 17.	W. J. Morgan & Co., 200 blank charters.....	200 00
" 23.	Short & Forman, printing 500 copies Potentate's address	33 50
	Cost of protest of warrant.....	2 06
Aug. 8.	Yaarab Temple, guarantee fee returned.....	100 00
Sept. 3.	Pettibone, Wells & Co., printing, etc., to August, 1890.	18 75
" 16.	Sam Briggs, balance due him on expense account to Aug. 30, 1890.....	173 80
Oct. 24.	Shober & Carqueville, 5,000 diplomas.....	165 00
Nov. 5.	Knight & Leonard Co., printing to Oct. 28, 1890.....	292 60
1891.		
Jan. 27.	Sam. Briggs, expenses to Dec. 31, 1890.....	265 68
Apr. 3.	" " " " March 3, 1891.....	266 64
" 21.	John W. Boyle, expenses of attending meeting on rituals	58 10
May 20.	Frank M. Luce, stationery, printing, postage and expressage to May 15, 1891.....	663 50
" 20.	Frank M. Luce, salary as Imperial Recorder, year ending June, 1891.....	1,000 00
" 30.	John W. Boyle, expenses attending committee meeting at Cincinnati April 16 to 19, 1891.....	61 80
Total expenditures.....		
		\$6,557 98

Recapitulation.

May 30, 1891.	Total amount of receipts.....	\$17,121 45
" 30, 1891.	" " disbursements.....	6,557 98
Balance of cash on hand.....		\$10,563 47
All of which is respectfully submitted.		

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
Imperial Treasurer.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL TREASURER'S REPORT.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the Report of the Imperial Treasurer be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL RECORDER.

Annual Report of the Imperial Recorder was presented as follows:

CHICAGO, May 30, 1891.

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Imperial Recorder respectfully submits the following report for the year from June 10, 1890, to May 30, 1891:

IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

At the close of last annual session, and to the present time, there are:

No. of active members of the Imperial Council.....	71
“ “ Representatives of Temples in the East.....	3
“ “ Temples that have been chartered to date.....	53
“ “ Temples under dispensation to date.....	5

REPORTS OF TEMPLES.

The reports which have been received from the various Temples are given in the table herewith.

A recapitulation of the Annual Reports from all the Temples shows the following totals:

No. Nobles on December 31, 1889.....	13,638
“ “ Entered the Unseen Temple.....	119
“ “ Demitted „.....	134
“ “ Suspended.....	75
“ “ Expelled.....	1
Decrease in members.....	329
Leaving a total of.....	13,309
No. Nobles Created to December 31, 1890, in Temples.....	3,571
“ “ Affiliated and restored to date.....	66
“ “ In Temples under dispensation, Charter members.....	34
Total increase in Nobles.....	3,671
Total number of Nobles Dec. 31, 1890.....	16,980

Report of Temples, to January 1, 1891.

TEMPLES.	LOCATION.	Members Dec. 31, 1889.	Died.	Demitted.	Suspended. Expelled.	Created.	Affiliated and Restored.	Charter Members.	Members Dec. 31, 1890.	Created in Temples U. D. Jan. 1 to May 30, 1891.	Membership of Temples U. D. May 30, 1891.
1 Abdallah	Leavenworth	120		2	1	47			164		
2 Acca	Richmond	96	2	3	1	19			109		
3 Affili	Tacoma	75				30			105		
4 Aleppo	Boston	1,033	6	2		326	1		1,352		
5 Algeria	Helena	104	2	1		51			152		
6 Alhambra	Chattanooga	22				32			54		
7 Al Kader	Portland	65	1			29			86		
8 Al Koran	Cleveland	396	3			82			475		
9 Al Malaikah	Los Angeles	137	3			33	1		168		
10 Almas	Washington	201	1	6		52	1		247		
11 Ararat	Kansas City	145	2	3		161	2		303		
12 Ballut Abyad	Albuquerque	30				2			32		
13 Boumi	Baltimore	240		11		42	1		272		
14 Cyprus	Albany	126	1			32			157		
15 Damascus	Rochester	294				4			298		
16 El Jebel	Denver	402	5	3		70	4		468		
17 El Kahir	Cedar Rapids	305	2	4		87	1		387		
18 El Katif, U. D.	Spokane Falls					49		8	57		57
19 El Kalah, U. D.	Salt Lake City							10	16		16
20 El Riad	Sioux Falls	105		3		51	1		154		
21 El Zagal	Fargo	77	1			76			82		
22 Hella	Dallas	140	1			111			250		
23 Isis	Salina	212		1		73			284		
24 Islam	San Francisco	315	6			87			396		
25 Ismailla	Buffalo	249	2			54	1		302		
26 Jerusalem	New Orleans	54	1	1		6			58		
27 Kaaba	Davenport	91	2		1	18			106		
28 Kismet	Brooklyn	253	1	2		68	6		324		
29 Kosair	Louisville	144	1	2	5	21			157		
30 Lu Lu	Philadelphia	1,133	8	8		340	2		1,459		
31 Mecca	New York	1,404	18	11		159	14		1,548		
32 Medinah	Chicago	967	8	26		186	2		1,121		
33 Moila	St. Joseph	76	1	1	1	20			93		
34 Moolah	St. Louis	217	2	3	3	30	2		241		
35 Morocco	Jacksonville	15				5			20		
36 Moslem	Detroit	416	3	4		39			448		
37 Mount Sinai	Montpelier	188	5			39			222		
38 Murat	Indianapolis	294	2	2	3	55			342		
39 Oriental	Troy	232	2			74			304		
40 Osiris	Wheeling	111	1			17			127		
41 Osman	St. Paul	222	2	4	3	79	6		298		
42 Palestine	Providence	186	2	1		117			300		
43 Pyramid	Bridgeport	417		3		144	1		559		
44 Rameses	Toronto	80		2		8			86		
45 Sahara	Pine Bluff	42		1		12			53		
46 Salaam	Olney	37	1			7	1		44		
47 Saladin	Grand Rapids	194	3	4		56			243		
48 Sesostris	Lincoln	82		3	3	34	3		113		
49 Syria	Pittsburgh	616	5	6	55	109	15		674		
50 Syrian	Cincinnati	438	7	3		68	1		497		
51 Tangier	Omaha	160	2	1		54			211		
52 Tripoli	Milwaukee	208	3			45			250		
53 Yauarab	Atlanta	32	1			54			85		
54 Ziyara (Charter sus- pended)	Utica	325				60			385		
55 Zuhrah	Minneapolis	185		7		40			218		
56 Zamora, U. D.	Birmingham					14	10		24		24.
Totals		13,638	119	134	76	3,571	66	34	16,980		97

Receipts.

There have been received for Fees, Dues, etc., for the year ending May 30, 1891, from the following Temples:

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Total.
Jan. 21, 1891	Abdallah	\$ 20 00				
Apl. 11, 1891	"		\$ 44 00			
May 20, 1891	"		78 00			\$142 00
June 20, 1890	Acca		23 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	20 00	16 00			59 00
July 15, 1890	Affi		2 00			
Sept. 23, 1890	"		24 00			
Dec. 9, 1890	"		14 00			
Mch. 4, 1891	"	20 00	14 00			74 00
Oct. 15, 1890	Aleppo		52 00			
Jan. 21, 1891	"	140 00	148 00			
Feb. 19, 1891	"		134 00			
May 16, 1891	"		268 00			742 00
Aug. 2, 1890	Algeria		29 00			
Nov. 15, 1890	"		8 00			
Dec. 24, 1890	"		22 00			
Jan. 31, 1891	"	20 00				
Feb. 19, 1891	"		24 00			
Mch. 24, 1891	"		8 00			111 00
June 12, 1890	Alhaunbra		40 00			
Feb. 19, 1890	"	10 00	46 00			160 00
Apl. 11, 1890	"		64 00			
Feb. 13, 1890	Al Kader	10 00	44 00			54 00
Nov. 1, 1890	Al Koran		32 00			
Dec. 1, 1890	"		1 00			
Dec. 12, 1890	"	50 00				
Jan. 16, 1891	"		20 00			
Jan. 21, 1891	"		1 00			
May 4, 1891	"		28 00			132 00
Apl. 24, 1891	Al Chymia			\$ 15 00	\$ 150 00	165 00
July 24, 1890	Al Malaikah		21 00			
Oct. 28, 1890	"		26 00			
Feb. 13, 1891	"	20 00	5 00			
May 15, 1891	"		30 00			102 00
July 13, 1890	Almas		26 00			
Jan. 30, 1891	"	30 00	78 00			134 00
July 3, 1890	Ararat		96 00			
Mch. 6, 1891	"	40 00	84 00			
Mch. 27, 1891	"		44 00			264 00
Jan. 26, 1891	Ballut Abyad	10 00				
Feb. 12, 1891	"		26 00			36 00
Jan. 21, 1891	Boumi	30 00	84 00			114 00
Feb. 13, 1891	Cyprus	20 00	64 00			87 00
May 11, 1891	"		3 00			
May 15, 1891	Damascus		8 00			
May 20, 1891	"	30 00				38 00
July 24, 1890	El Jebel		54 00			
Nov. 25, 1890	"		46 00			150 00
Feb. 19, 1891	"	50 00				
June 26, 1890	El Kalah			15 00	150 00	175 00
May 11, 1891	"	10 00				
June 16, 1890	El Kahir		76 00			
Dec. 15, 1890	"		32 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	40 00	74 00			
May 15, 1891	"		74 00			296 00
June 26, 1890	El Katif			15 00	150 00	
Oct. 28, 1890	"		84 00			
Dec. 12, 1890	"		14 00			263 00
Carried forward		\$570 00	\$2,233 00	\$45 00	\$450 00	\$3,298 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Total.
Brought forward		\$570 00	\$2,233 00	\$45 00	\$450 00	\$3,298 00
June 16, 1890	El Riad		56 00			
Feb. 4, 1891	"		32 00			
Mar. 24, 1891	"	20 00				
Apr. 11, 1891	"		36 00			144 00
July 3, 1890	El Zagal		30 00			
Jan. 30, 1891	"	10 00	12 00			52 00
June 13, 1890	Hella		26 00			
Nov. 15, 1890	"		55 00			
Jan. 21, 1891	"	30 00				
Feb. 23, 1891	"		130 00	5 00		246 00
May 4, 1891	"					
Feb. 3, 1891	Isis	30 00	90 00			120 00
July 24, 1890	Islam		1 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	40 00	174 00			215 00
Oct. 3, 1890	Ismailia		40 00			
Dec. 19, 1890	"		32 00			
Feb. 9, 1891	"	40 00				
Apr. 1, 1891	"		16 00			
Apr. 11, 1891	"		40 00			168 00
Jan. 16, 1891	Jerusalem	10 00	12 00			22 00
Dec. 9, 1890	Kaaba		5 00			
Jan. 5, 1891	"		14 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	20 00	86 00			
Feb. 13, 1891	"		28 00			
Mar. 6, 1891	"		4 00			
Apr. 24, 1891	"		26 00			183 00
June 11, 1890	Kismet		100 00			
Dec. 8, 1890	"		1 00			177 00
Jan. 16, 1891	"	40 00	36 00			
Feb. 13, 1891	Kosair	20 00				20 00
Feb. 3, 1891	Lu Lu	150 00	681 00			831 00
June 11, 1890	Mecca		48 00			
Nov. 15, 1890	"		88 00			
Feb. 13, 1891	"	160 00	124 00			506 00
April 24, 1891	"		68 00			
May 11, 1891	"		18 00			
May 8, 1891	Media		36 00	15 00	150 00	201 00
May 16, 1891	"					
June 11, 1890	Medinah		202 00	10 00		452 00
Nov. 25, 1890	"					
March 6, 1891	"	120 00				
May 8, 1891	"		120 00			
Jan. 19, 1891	Moila	10 00	40 00			50 00
Jan. 7, 1891	Moolah	30 00	60 00			
April 11, 1891	"		34 00			124 00
July 15, 1890	Morocco		2 00			
Dec. 1, 1890	"		8 00			
Feb. 23, 1891	"	10 00				20 00
July 14, 1890	Moslem		64 00			
Oct. 28, 1890	"		3 00			
Dec. 31, 1890	"		18 00			
Feb. 13, 1891	"	50 00		10 00		
March 30, 1891	"		25 00			171 00
May 14, 1891	"		1 00			
July 3, 1890	Mount Sinai		40 00			
Nov. 4, 1890	"		30 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	30 00				
Feb. 23, 1891	"		28 00			
April 11, 1891	"		10 00			138 00
Jan. 7, 1891	Murut		57 00			
Carried forward		\$1,309 00	\$5,120 00	\$85 00	\$600 00	\$7,138 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Total.
Brought forward		\$1,390 00	\$5,120 00	\$85 00	\$600 00	\$7,138 00
Feb. 13, 1891	Murat	40 00	38 00			
April 20, 1891	"		1 00			
May 20, 1891	"		73 00			209 00
Dec. 4, 1890	Oriental		64 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	40 00	24 00			128 00
Dec. 31, 1890	Osiris		34 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	20 00	18 00			72 00
June 11, 1890	Osman		69 00			
Sept. 23, 1890	"		14 00			
Dec. 4, 1890	"		6 00			
Jan. 21, 1891	"	30 00	22 00			
March 18, 1891	"		25 00			204 00
May 16, 1891	"		38 00			
Jan. 5, 1891	Palestine	30 00	234 00			264 00
Dec. 12, 1890	Pyramid		94 00			
Feb. 13, 1891	"			\$ 10 00		
March 4, 1891	"		2 00			
March 18, 1891	"	60 00	50 00			
April 11, 1891	"		50 00			216 00
June 17, 1890	Rameses		4 00			
Jan. 26, 1891	"	10 00	12 00			26 00
Dec. 4, 1890	Sahara		4 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	10 00				
April 24, 1891	"		6 00			20 00
Jan. 16, 1891	Salaam	10 00	10 00			20 00
Oct. 22, 1890	Saladin		10 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	30 00	16 00			
March 4, 1891	"		66 00			122 00
Jan. 25, 1891	Sesostris	20 00	66 00			86 00
June 16, 1890	Syria		22 00			
Nov. 6, 1890	"		41 00			
Dec. 9, 1890	"		56 00			
Jan. 31, 1891	"	70 00				
Feb. 12, 1891	"		22 00			
April 24, 1891	"		57 00			268 00
May 20, 1891	Syrian	50 00	136 00			186 00
June 17, 1890	Tangier	10 00	14 00			
Oct. 8, 1890	"		6 00			
Nov. 4, 1890	"		36 00			
Dec. 24, 1890	"		18 00			
Jan. 30, 1891	"	20 00				
March 4, 1891	"		2 00			106 00
August 2, 1890	Tripoli		90 00			
Feb. 19, 1891	"	30 00				120 00
June 12, 1890	Yaarab		68 00			
Oct. 15, 1890	"		4 00			
Dec. 19, 1890	"		12 00			
March 24, 1891	"	10 00	28 00			
April 24, 1891	"		8 00			130 00
May 8, 1891	Zamora			15 00	150 00	
May 20, 1891	"	10 00	28 00			203 00
Nov. 24, 1890	Ziyara (chartersus- pended)		120 00			120 00
July 24, 1890	Zubrah		34 00			
Oct. 28, 1890	"		12 00			
Nov. 8, 1890	"		24 00			
Jan. 16, 1891	"	30 00				
Feb. 9, 1891	"		8 00			
March 4, 1891	"		26 00			
May 11, 1891	"		24 00			158 00
Totals		\$1,920 00	\$7,016 00	\$110 00	\$750 00	\$9,796 00

Recapitulation of above Receipts.

Receipts for Dispensation Fees.....	\$ 750 00
“ “ Annual Dues.....	1,920 00
“ “ Initiation Fees.....	7,016 00
“ “ Rituals.....	110 00

Total paid Imperial Treasurer.....\$9,796 00

The Imperial Council is entirely free from debt, and has a balance of \$10,563.47 in the treasury.

FRANK M. LUCE,
Imperial Recorder.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL RECORDER'S REPORT.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the Annual Report of the Imperial Recorder be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts presented the following Report:

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., June 9, 1891.

To the Imperial Potentate and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Committee on Finance and Accounts have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Imperial Treasurer and Recorder, and find them carefully and correctly kept and properly vouched.

We heartily commend the prompt manner in which the duties of the offices have been performed, and desire to express our opinion that in the future all expenditures for printing, expressing and stationery be invariably accompanied by vouchers for the same that the Committee on Finance may readily audit the accounts.

We find that the expenses of the Imperial Potentate, during the past year have been for

117 days' service at \$5 per day.....	\$585 00
Postage, printing, telegrams and other minor expenses....	321 02
Stamped envelopes	75 00
	\$981 02

accounts for which have been submitted to and approved for payment by this Committee, and would recommend that all clerical work in the future be performed by the Imperial Recorder, and that he receive for all the services the sum of \$1,000, under same provisions as last year. With the expenses of the Imperial Council curtailed, your Committee on Finance are of the opinion that the raising of the fees for diplomas and dues would be unnecessary.

Your committee recommend that 500 copies of the Proceedings of this annual session of the Imperial Council be printed at an expense not to exceed \$300.

Your committee also recommend that the Committee on Ritual be allowed the sum of \$5 per diem and mileage for actual time consumed in the discharge of their duties.

We find the amount of cash in the Treasurer's hands, as per report of the Treasurer, to be \$10,563.97.

Yours in the Faith,

EDWARD B. JORDAN,
BENJAMIN W. ROWELL,
WILLIAM A. STILES,
CHARLES H. FLACH,
JOSEPH W. SMITH,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSACTIONS OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

Your Committee on the "Transactions of Imperial Officers" beg leave to report the following, to-wit.:

1st. We congratulate the Order upon its continued prosperity, as shown by the very able address of Ill. Sam. Briggs, Imperial Potentate.

2d. That that portion of the address referring to deceased members be referred to the Committee on Deceased Members.

3d. That that portion of the address referring to dispensation of charters be referred to the committee appointed to review such matters.

4th. That that portion of the address relating to correspondence be referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

5th. That that portion of the address relating to finance and accounts together with the expense of the Imperial Office be referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

6th. That that portion of the address referring to the arrest of the Charter of Ziyara Temple be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

7th. That that portion of the address referring to Jurisprudence and Laws, decisions of the Imperial Potentate, Emblems and Incorporation, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

8th. That that portion of the address referring to compensation to committee on ritual be referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

9th. That that portion of the address referring to the matter of the calendar be referred to the Committee on Ritual.

10th. Your committee hereby endorses the suggestions of the Imperial Potentate in reference to the Library of the Grand Lodge of Iowa.

Respectfully submitted;

WAYLAND TRASK,
ETHELBERT F. ALLEN,
THADDEUS B. BEECHER,
WALTER J. HILTON,
FRANK J. HARD,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the committee was received and the subjects were ordered to be referred as recommended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals presented the following Report:

To the Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals, recognizing the fact that the time of the members of the Imperial Council should not be taken up with unnecessary delay, have, during the past year, taken cognizance of differences which have existed between Temples, and in every case which has been submitted to us, we have made satisfactory adjustments.

As a result of our wise forethought, we have the honor now to report that absolute harmony prevails.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
EDWARD C. CULP,
GEORGE P. BALMAIN,
RUFUS E. FLEMING,
CHARLES L. FIELD,
Committee.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

Noble James McGee read the following communication:

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Article XXXIV, Section 1. Proposed alterations or amendments to this Constitution shall be in writing and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, who shall report at the annual session of the Imperial Council, when it shall require a vote of two-thirds of the Representatives present to adopt the same.

SEC. 2. All proposed alterations or amendments shall be borne upon the notices of the sessions of the Imperial Council, and a copy forwarded to each Representative, and to each Potentate and Recorder of Subordinate Temples.

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“Seventh.—To amend Section 2 of Article IV of the Constitution by substituting “Annual” for “Triennial” in the second line of Section 2, and the same change in Section 3, it being understood,” etc., etc.

(This change is to elect officers annually instead of triennially.)

The action of the Imperial Council in special session assembled in 1890 in this particular instance is of no effect. To be acted upon at that meeting,

this amendment should have been presented in writing at session of 1889, and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws. This was not done. See Proceedings of 1889, page 116.

As the Imperial Potentate has failed to comply with the Constitution in-so-far as Section 2 of Article XXXIV is concerned, no amendments can be constitutionally acted upon at this session.

Thus proposed amendments on Page 44, Proceedings of 1890, 5th, 6th and 7th paragraphs, go over.

Page 79, Proceedings of 1890, "Special" should be inserted in lieu of sixteenth. Same on cover and title.

"Action regarding 'Annual Session for 1890.'"

Page 48—Proceedings 1890.

"On motion, it was resolved that vote be taken by roll-call, each Representative answering as his name was called."

To reconsider action of the Imperial Council in annual session assembled at Chicago, Ill., June 17, 1889, wherein San Francisco, Cal., was selected as the place for holding the annual session of 1890.

(See language of Imperial Potentate's call, May 6, 1890, page 3, Proceedings 1890, and on page 48, do.)

The vote resulted as follows: 36 voted in favor, 22 opposed.

The "special" session was not voted the annual, nor was there any provision made for the holding of the annual session of 1890. It went by default—there it ended.

Doing away with the annual session, or changing the annual to special, would constitute an alteration of the Constitution and have to lay over. In event of a vote, it would require two-thirds of those present, and 36 is not two-thirds of 58.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

Report of Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws was presented as follows:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine :

Your committee on Jurisprudence and Laws after consideration of the various Statutes now before the Imperial Council, and the decisions of the Imperial Potentate, as well as the By-Laws of the various Temples, and other matters referred to your committee by the Imperial Council, beg leave to report.

First—We recommend the approval of the By-Laws, with the changes noted in them, of the following Temples :

Lu Lu Temple of Philadelphia, Pa.; Zuhrah Temple of Minneapolis,

Minn.; Boumi Temple of Baltimore, Md.; El Kahir Temple of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Tangier Temple of Omaha, Neb.; Media Temple, U. D., of Watertown, N. Y.; El Zagal Temple of Fargo, N. D.; Kaaba Temple of Davenport, Iowa; Sahara Temple of Pine Bluff, Ark.

We recommend the approval of the following decisions of the Imperial Potentate presented at this session.

1. A Noble signing a petition for a dispensation for a Temple becomes a member of the Temple under dispensation and is amenable to it for dues. He should pay dues to the Temple of which he is a member prior to the issuing of the dispensation only up to the date of the dispensation of the new Temple, and his membership in the Chartered Temple remains in abeyance until a Charter is granted to the new Temple.

2. If the dispensation of a new Temple is taken up, and no Charter issued, the membership of all Nobles reverts to the Temples of which they were members prior to the issuing of the dispensation.

3. When the dispensation to any Temple is recalled, and no Charter issued, all Nobles created in said Temple become members of the Order at large, subject to the authority of the Imperial Council, and are entitled to a certificate to that effect from the Imperial Recorder, which certificate has the force of a dimit for purpose of affiliation.

4. Upon the receipt of a Charter it is the duty of the Potentate of the Temple chartered to cause the Recorder to certify that fact to all Temples in which the Charter members formerly held their membership, and their membership in said Temples thereupon terminates.

No member of a subordinate Temple can be expelled by a vote of his Temple without formal charges being presented, notice being served upon him, and an opportunity afforded him to be heard in his defence.

In the matter of the decision given to Ararat Temple we cannot concur in the opinion that a Noble of the Mystic Shrine in good standing, but on dimit, cannot affiliate without the permission of the Temple in whose jurisdiction he may reside. We recommend that the decision of the Imperial Council in this respect be as follows:

"Affiliation is a matter solely between the applicant and the Temple to which he applies. A Noble of the Mystic Shrine, holding a dimit from a legal Temple, may present his petition to any Temple of the Order."

In the matter of the question propounded by Moolah Temple as the force and effect of an objection after ballot we find the point fully covered by the law on the subject as printed in the proceedings of 1889, page 49.

In the matter of the amendment to Article XXXIV (34) presented at the session of the Imperial Council of 1890 (page 44 Proceedings 1890) we recommend that the article be slightly amended and be adopted so as to read Art. XXXIV, Sec. 1. The Imperial Council shall be competent, upon the concurrence of three-fourths of the members present at any session, to revise, amend and alter this constitution.

2. Any member intending to submit a motion relative to a change in the

constitution, statutes or regulations shall give notice thereof in writing, to the Imperial Recorder, at least two months prior to the day on which the session is to be held, at which said subject is to be discussed, and notice thereof shall be inserted in the summons; otherwise no such motion shall be entertained unless the failure to publish the same in the summons is by fault of the officer charged with the duty of issuing it.

3. All amendments proposed may be modified in any manner by the Imperial Council, while the same is under consideration; no modification, however, shall be made not germane to the matter contained in the original proposed amendment. It shall require a two-thirds vote to change the constitution in the case of any amendment offered in accordance with sections 2 and 3 and 4 of this section.

4. All amendments to, or alterations of the constitution and laws presented to the Imperial Council while in session, and which have not been published in the summons for that session, shall be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, who shall report upon them at the next session of the Imperial Council, when it shall require a vote of two-thirds of the representatives present to adopt the same.

In the matter of the Incorporation of the Imperial Council presented by the Imperial Potentate, we recommend that the matter be made a special subject of consideration at the next session, and that the Standing Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws be authorized to present at that session articles of incorporation of the Imperial Council under a board of five trustees authorized to act as such and hold property in the name of the Imperial Council.

In the matter of the proposition to strike out the word "Annual" in Sec. 3, and Sec. 6 of Article II of the Constitution, your committee recommend that this change be made (see Proceedings 1890, page 44.)

Also regarding proposition to strike out the word "triennial" in Sec. 2 and Section 3 of Art. IV of the constitution, we recommend that the change be made (Proceedings 1890, page 44.)

In the matter of the amendment proposed last year (Proceedings 1890) to amend Sec 2 of Article III, so as to read "The Representatives shall be chosen as follows: Each Temple shall annually elect by ballot, etc." We strongly recommend its adoption, especially in view of the fact that the law has now been changed so as to elect officers annually.

In the matter presented by Noble McGee as to the present law regarding the election of officers we beg to say that the matter was definitely settled at the session of 1890, and that the law so adopted provides that the close of the triennial term of office holding, ending at the 1892 session of the Imperial Council, the election of officers shall thereafter be held annually.

The committee see no reason why the Imperial Council should attack its own acts as taken at the session of 1890. They therefore recommend that no further answer be necessary to the suggestion offered by the Illustrious Noble.

In the matter of the new amendments offered at this session of the Imperial Council, they are as follows, and must under the rule lie over until the next session of the Council.

1. From Islam Temple of San Francisco, a man who has been subjected to the rigid scrutiny pertaining to the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Commandery, or of the Scottish Rite degrees, is entitled to be protected on application to the Shrine from the ignominy of rejection by a single vote, which may be cast under erroneous impressions, or at times in malice, and it shall therefore require three black balls to reject an applicant hereafter."

In regard to the question propounded by Noble J. K. Ashby, and referred to us, as follows: "What constitutes a legal residence for a petitioner?" we are of the opinion that the officers of a Temple charged with the duty of receiving, scrutinizing and presenting petitions for the consideration of a Temple ought to, and do know what is right in the matter, and should follow a rule which cannot under any circumstances infringe upon the jurisdictional rights of a sister Temple.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM B. MELISH,
JOSEPH L. DORBIN,
WILLIAM H. MAYO,
GEORGE W. MILLAR,
CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
Committee.

The following resolutions were then offered and were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, and will lie over until the next annual session:

Resolved, That any person applying for degrees to any Temple shall be an actual resident of the jurisdiction of the Temple to which he applies for at least six months.

Resolved, That Article XV. of the Constitution and Statutes be amended to read as follows: "The initiation fee in place of \$25.00 will be \$50.00."

Resolved, That Article XIII., Section 2, be amended by adding the following, to-wit:

In each state and territory within the United where three or more Temples of the Order exist, no charter or dispensation shall be granted. And should any Temple of the Order have the charter recalled by the action of the Imperial Council, no new charter can be granted, provided there be remaining three Temples of the Order within such state or territory.

To the Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

I am directed by this Temple to submit the following case, viz: On March 18, 1891, at a stated meeting of this Temple, the petitions of Sir Knights A. B. and C. D. were received with two others, a committee was appointed, considered the four applicants, reported favorably, there being no

objection the ballot was spread and all four were duly elected to receive the Order.

On May 20th, at a stated session of this Temple, permanent objections in writing were filed by Noble L. H. to Sirs A. B. and C. D. receiving the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

What action must our Temple take?

By order of the Temple.

WILLIAM H. MAYO,

Recorder Moolah Temple.

ISLAM TEMPLE.

A. A. O. Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, San Francisco, Cal.:

At the regular session of Islam Temple, held April 22, 1891, the following was passed unanimously.

WHEREAS, During the past year a single black ball has been repeatedly cast in Islam Temple against the application of gentlemen who were esteemed of unexceptional standing and repute, and against whom no subsequent inquiry has revealed a stain, thus causing indignation and dismay among all our members, save the party casting the single ballot mentioned. Now it is

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that a man who has been subjected to the rigid scrutiny pertaining to the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Commandery, or the Scottish Rite degrees, is entitled to be protected on application to the Shrine, from the ignominy of rejection by a single vote, which may be cast under erroneous impressions, or at times in malice, and that we hereby instruct our Representatives to the Imperial Council, to ask the passage of an amendment to the Statutes and Regulations, whereby the number of *three black balls* shall be required to reject an applicant.

In explanation of this request, we assert, that gentlemen who have so far advanced in the Masonic Order as to be eligible to membership in our Temple, are entitled to both courtesy and protection at our hands, and that if a member has a fancied objection, it is no wrong to him to subject his reasons to the judgment of two unbiased fellow members. Be it further

Resolved, that the Recorder of Islam Temple be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to all Representatives to the Imperial Council, with the request that they join us in our prayer, believing that the change will meet their approbation.

V. D. DUBOCE,

Recorder.

To the Imperial Representatives:

The above resolution will be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws of the Imperial Council, in the shape of an amendment to the Statutes and Regulations, and we ask your kind coöperation in making *three black balls* necessary to reject a candidate in place of *one* as now in vogue.

Faithfully yours,

CHARLES L. FIELD,	} <i>Representatives.</i>
VICTOR D. DUBOCE,	

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Committee on Credentials presented the following Report :

*To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council,
A. A. O. N. M. S.*

We, the members of your Committee on Credentials, beg leave to make the following report :

Credentials in due form have been presented to the committee from the following Nobles, and we recommend that they be received as Representatives of the Temples named and constituted Active Members of this Imperial Council :

Archibald N. Sloan, Alhambra Temple.
Ethelbert F. Allen, Ararat Temple.
Rufus M. Eades, Ararat Temple.
C. A. Hibbard, Ararat Temple.
S. C. Milligan, Afifi Temple.
Cornelius B. Nolan, Algeria Temple.
John Burns, Al Malaikah Temple.
Clarence S. Scott, El Katif Temple.
Rufus E. Fleming, El Zagal Temple.
Clark L. Richards, Kaaba Temple.
Wayland Trask, Kismet Temple.
Edwin A. Thrall, Kismet Temple.
Sidney F. Walker, Kismet Temple.
Henry Stowell, Oriental Temple.
William A. Lent, Oriental Temple.
Jonathan M. Colcord, Oriental Temple.
Oscar M. Metcalf, Osman Temple.
John T. Brush, Murat Temple.
H. H. McGaffey, Murat Temple.
Joseph W. Smith, Murat Temple.
Charles H. Fuller, Mount Sinai Temple.
Wm. F. Beck, Salaam Temple.
James Tyler, Sesostris Temple.
Gustave Anderson, Tangier Temple.
Charles Wheelock, Zamora Temple.

The following signed by Recorder of Temple named, but not under official seal of the Temple :

Thomas J. Hudson, Syria Temple.
George P. Balmain, Syria Temple.
A. V. Holmes, Syria Temple.
W. S. Brown, Syria Temple.

From the character of communications submitted and from conversation with members the committee discover that there has been evident confusion as to the number of Representatives to which Temples are entitled. Under

Article III., Section 1., of the Constitution, some Temples have construed the law as entitling them to two Representatives when their membership is less than three hundred, and others only one Representative. The language of the section referred to is as follows: "To every Temple working by authority of a charter granted by this Imperial Council, there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be further entitled to one additional Representative for every three hundred members, or fraction over three hundred members, and its number of membership; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

To make the matter clearer your committee recommend that the Statutes be amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Representatives to the Imperial Council shall be appointed as follows: To every Temple working by authority of a charter granted by this Imperial Council there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be entitled to two Representatives when its membership reaches three hundred; three Representatives when its membership reaches six hundred, and four Representatives when its membership reaches nine hundred; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS P. ECKER,
GEORGE H. WALKER,
JAMES MCGEE,
WILLIAM M. BAILEY,
DWIGHT BYINGTON,

Committee.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the Representatives of Zamora Temple, of Birmingham, Ala., and the Representatives of Media Temple, of Watertown, N. Y., be admitted to seats in this Council and entitled to mileage and per diem.

Carried.

On motion, so much of the report as has reference to credentials was received, and the portion of the report as has reference to laws be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the part of the report having reference to credentials be adopted.

Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS.

On Dispensations and Charters, the committee presented the following Report:

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensations respectfully report:

We recommend that a Charter be granted to Zamora Temple, of Birmingham, Ala.

We recommend that no Charters be granted to the following named Temples:

Al Chymia Temple, Memphis, Tenn.
 El Kalah Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Media Temple, Watertown, N. Y.
 El Katif Temple, Spokane Falls, Wash.
 Ben Hur Temple, Austin, Texas.

We would respectfully suggest that the Dispensations under which the Temples are now working be continued for another year.

R. P. MARVIN, JR.,
 JAMES H. THOMPSON,
 WM. RYAN,
 THOS. J. BISHOP,
 JOHN A. MAY,

Committee.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, To allow the Committee on Charters and Dispensations to amend their report so as to grant Charters to El Katif Temple, of Spokane Falls, Wash., and Media Temple, of Watertown, N. Y.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the report as amended be adopted as a whole.
 Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE.

By the Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives, the following Report was presented:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine :

Your Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives of the Imperial Council beg leave to recommend that the Representatives to the Imperial Council be paid mileage at the rate of three cents per mile each way traveled, computed by the shortest railroad route, and that they be allowed per diem for three days at the rate of five dollars a day.

The Committee also report that, in cases where the amount of receipts from the Temples for the past year is less than the amount of mileage for their Representatives, the latter amount was limited to the receipts from such Temples for the past year.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the amounts set opposite to the names of the Representatives and Officers be paid, as follows:

REPRESENTATIVES.

Noble Dwight Byington	Abdallah Temple, \$	74	65
“ Louis P. Ecker.....	Acca “	59	00
“ Henry E. Hosley	Aleppo “	45	55

Noble James A. Fox	Aleppo Temple, \$	45 55
" Benjamin W. Rowell.....	" "	45 55
" Frank Locke.....	" "	45 55
" Cornelius B. Nolan.....	Algeria	110 00
" A. N. Sloan.....	Alhambra	62 95
" Sam. Briggs.....	Al Koran	27 30
" Richard P. Marvin, Jr.....	"	27 30
" Horace W. Hubbard.....	"	27 30
" John Burns.....	Al Malaikah	102 00
" George H. Walker.....	Almas	43 25
" Ethelbert F. Allen.....	Ararat	73 30
" Rufus M. Eades.....	"	73 30
" C. A. Hibbard.....	"	73 30
" William C. Nickum.....	Boumi	45 75
" Thomas J. Bishop.....	Cyprus	34 45
" George F. Loder.....	Damascus	19 45
" Frank J. Hard.....	El Jebel	106 80
" Cyrus W. Eaton.....	El Kahir	58 95
" Edward J. Foster.....	"	58 95
" George W. Bever.....	"	58 95
" Rufus E. Fleming.....	El Zagal	85 90
" Joseph K. Ashby.....	Hella	101 00
" Edward C. Culp.....	Isis	84 45
" Charles L. Field.....	Islam	107 50
" Victor D. Duboce.....	"	107 50
" Frank T. Gilbert.....	Ismailia	16 30
" Charles W. Cushman.....	"	16 30
" George L. Brown.....	"	16 30
" Clark L. Richards.....	Kaaba	56 80
" Wayland Trask.....	Kismet	43 20
" Edwin A. Thrall.....	"	43 20
" Sydney F. Walker.....	"	43 20
" William Ryan.....	Kossair	20 00
" Joseph S. Wright.....	Lu Lu	44 15
" Edward B. Jordan.....	"	44 15
" Frederick Leibbrandt.....	"	44 15
" Ezra S. Bartlett.....	"	44 15
" Joseph B. Eakins.....	Mecca	43 00
" George W. Millar.....	"	43 06
" James McGee.....	"	43 00
" Charles D. Bingham.....	Media	25 00
" John A. May.....	Medinah	45 85
" William A. Stiles.....	"	45 85
" Frank M. Luce.....	"	45 85
" James H. Thompson.....	"	45 85

Noble Walter J. Hilton.....	Moila Temple,	\$50 00
" William H. Mayo	Moolah	60 10
" William M. Bailey	Moslem	28 80
" Charles H. Fuller.....	Mount Sinai	43 80
" Henry H. McGaffey	Murat	43 80
" Joseph W. Smith	"	43 80
" Henry Stowell	Oriental	33 35
" William A. Lent	"	33 35
" J. Marshall Colcord.....	"	33 35
" Oscar M. Metcalf	Osman	70 35
" Julius W. Knowlton.....	Pyramid	42 75
" Thaddcus B. Beecher.....	"	42 75
" Henry Setzer, Jr.....	"	42 75
" Henry Ardagh Collins	Rameses	20 00
" W. F. Beck.....	Salaam	55 30
" Samuel E. Watson	Saladin	42 00
" James Tyler	Sesostris	78 00
" Thomas J. Hudson.....	Syria	32 45
" George P. Balmain.....	"	32 45
" A. V. Holmes	"	32 45
" W. S. Brown	"	32 45
" William B. Melish.....	Syrian	41 95
" Charles H. Flach.....	"	41 95
" William Michie	"	41 95
" Gustave Anderson	Tangier	75 25
" John W. Boyle	Ziyara	28 80
" Joseph L. Dobbin	Zuhrah	71 10
" Chas. Wheelock.....	Zamora	38 00

Total mileage for 1890\$3,807 95

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
SAMUEL E. WATSON,
OSCAR M. METCALF,
GEORGE F. LODER,
J. W. KNOWLTON,

Committee.

On motion, the Report was received, and the recommendations were adopted.

COMMITTEE ON RITUAL.

Committee on Ritual presented the following report:

To the Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your committee on Ritual has the honor to report. During the year three general meetings of the committee have been held.

Prior to the first meeting of the committee the chairman thereof had corresponded with the Potentates of nearly, if not all, of the subordinate Temples and also with many prominent members of the Order throughout the Imperial Jurisdiction, requesting a written expression of the views of their Nobles on the general subject of the revision of the Ritual.

Also asking them to express their opinions as to any change of or amendment to the present Ritual. Also as to whether they had any changes or amendments to suggest, and if so to send them to the committee together with their reasons for making any and all changes or amendments.

Quite generous in number were the responses received in answer to these letters, and many and varied were the suggestions therein made. So that when your committee assembled it found itself, by reason of these communications, and the ideas, propositions and principles therein advanced, in close and direct intercourse with many of the active and leading minds in the Order.

All this aided your committee in performance of the work which has been assigned to it. A special invitation was extended by the committee to the Imperial Potentate to attend its first meeting, because it was thought that he might be able to give valuable assistance in the proposed work of formulating a new and different Ritual.

The Imperial Potentate was also notified of, and invited to attend the second and third meetings of the committee, but upon these occasions he failed to honor the committee with his presence. After many days and nights of faithful and conscientious labor, your committee is able to submit the following Ritual for your considerations, and unanimously recommend its adoption.

In the preparation of this new Ritual we have had the manuscript and assistance of the absent member of the committee, Noble George C. Connor, and a number of the new features now presented were made at his suggestion. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated this 9th day of June, 1891.

JOHN W. BOYLE,
C. W. EATON,
WM. B. MELISH,
THOS. J. HUDSON,
Committee.

Moved that the new Ritual when printed and sent out by the Imperial Recorder be declared to be the Ritual of this Order after its next annual session. And that the old Ritual be taken up and this Ritual remain in force until the next annual session, and that at that session the new Ritual shall come up on the question of final adoption.

Amended, that the further consideration of the new Ritual be postponed until the next annual session of the council.

Carried.

Moved that this Council extend an invitation to the Potentates to work this new Ritual at least once this year.

Amended that any Temple desiring to work this new Ritual may do so upon its members, but not upon candidates.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That there shall not be a third copy of the new Ritual made by the Ritual Committee, but they shall send the two copies of the new Ritual now in existence to the Imperial Recorder.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the Imperial Recorder have the new Rituals printed, and that three copies shall be sent to each Potentate.

Carried.

Report of Majority Committee of Jurisprudence and Laws relative to suspension of charter of Ziyara Temple, of Utica, N. Y.

Your committee are of the opinion that :

1st. There has been violation of the laws of the Imperial Council by Ziyara Temple.

2d. The only violation of law upon which the suspension of the charter of Ziyara Temple was based was that of territorial jurisdiction, and this is the only point your committee thinks its necessary to consider. We believe this law has been violated.

3d. We think it was not only the right but the duty of the Imperial Potentate to suspend the charter of any Temple guilty of infringement of the jurisdictional rights of another Temple of the Order.

4th. We are of the opinion that the suspension of the charter of Ziyara Temple for a period of many months has been in itself a sufficient punishment for this violation of law, which, however, we are of the opinion was not intended as a wilful infringement of the rights of any other Temple. We therefore recommend, first, that the action of the Imperial Potentate be endorsed as entirely within the powers of his high office. Second, that the charter of Ziyara Temple be restored to them upon payment by them to the Imperial Recorder of all sums that may be due as annual dues and membership fees up to the date of their usual annual returns, and without the remission of any dues by reason of their suspension. Third, that upon certificate of the payment of said dues and fees made to him by the Imperial Recorder that the Imperial Potentate be, and he is hereby requested to at once issue an official announcement to the Temples of the Order declaring the charter of Ziyara Temple restored to its members. Fourth, your committee are of the opinion that it is the duty of the Imperial Potentate, and recommend that he be and is hereby instructed to promptly suspend the charter of any and all Temples found guilty of illegally infringing upon the jurisdiction of any other Temple in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM B. MELISH,

WILLIAM H. MAYO,

JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,

Committee.

Report of the Minority Committee of Jurisprudence and Laws relative to suspension of charter of Ziyara Temple, of Utica, N. Y.

The minority of the committee endorse fully so much of the above report as refers to the powers, prerogatives, and action of the Imperial Potentate, but we cannot agree with the other conclusions of the committee. We are of the opinion that the Potentate of Ziyara Temple, Noble John W. Boyle, has been guilty of conduct unbecoming a member of the Imperial Council in his permitting violations of law on the part of his Temple, and we recommend that a committee of three members of the Imperial Council be appointed to prefer charges against him to the Imperial Potentate, who is hereby requested to refer the charges to a commission of three members of this Council who shall hear the evidence submitted to them and report their conclusions to the Imperial Council at its next session.

We recommend further that the said John W. Boyle be suspended from the office of Potentate of Ziyara Temple for the violation of the statutes and and regulations of this council reported by the Imperial Potentate in his address, and that Ziyara Temple be placed in the hands of its Chief Rabban when its charter shall have been restored to it.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. MILLAR,
CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
Committee.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That a vote be taken by roll-call upon the adoption of the Majority Report.

Each representative answering as his name was called. The vote resulted as follows :

Those in favor of the Majority Report:

Dwight Byington, Leavenworth, Kans.
James A. Fox, Boston, Mass.
Benjamin W. Rowell, Boston, Mass.
Frank Locke, Boston, Mass.
Cornelius B. Nolan, Helena, Mont.
A. N. Sloan, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Richard P. Marvin, Jr., Akron, Ohio.
Horace W. Hubbard, Cleveland, Ohio.
Rufus M. Eades, Kansas City, Mo.
William C. Nickum, Baltimore, Md.
Thomas J. Bishop, Greenbush Heights, N. Y.
George F. Loder, Rochester, N. Y.
Frank J. Hard, Denver, Colo.
Cyrus W. Eaton, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Edward J. Foster, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
George W. Bever, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Joseph K. Ashby, Fort Worth, Texas.
Edward C. Culp, Salina, Kans.
Clark L. Richards, Davenport, Iowa.
Wayland Trask, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Edwin A. Thrall, New York, N. Y.
Sydney F. Walker, New York, N. Y.
William Ryan, Louisville, Ky.
Edward B. Jordan, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Frederick Leibrandt, Philadelphia, Pa.
Ezra S. Bartlett, Philadelphia, Pa.
William H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo.
William M. Bailey, Detroit, Mich.
Henry H. McGaffey, Indianapolis, Ind.
Joseph W. Smith, Indianapolis, Ind.
Julius W. Knowlton, Bridgeport, Conn.
Henry A. Collins, Toronto, Canada.
James Tyler, Lincoln, Neb.
Thomas J. Hudson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
George P. Balmain, Pittsburgh, Pa.
A. V. Holmes, Pittsburgh, Pa.
W. S. Brown, Pittsburgh, Pa.
William B. Melish, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Charles H. Flach, Cincinnati, Ohio.
William Michie, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Joseph L. Dobbin, Minneapolis, Minn.

Those opposed to the adoption of Majority Report :

Louis P. Ecker, Richmond, Va.
John Burns, Los Angeles, Cal.
Ethelbert F. Allen, Kansas City, Mo.
C. A. Hibbard, Kansas City, Mo.
Rufus E. Fleming, Fargo, N. D.
Charles L. Field, San Francisco, Cal.
Victor D. Duboce, San Francisco, Cal.
Frank T. Gilbert, Buffalo, N. Y.
Charles W. Cushman, Buffalo, N. Y.
George L. Brown, Buffalo, N. Y.
Joseph B. Eakins, New York, N. Y.
George W. Millar, New York, N. Y.
James McGee, New York, N. Y.
John A. May, Chicago, Ill.
William A. Stiles, Chicago, Ill.
Frank M. Luce, Chicago, Ill.
James H. Thompson, Chicago, Ill.
Walter J. Hilton, St. Joseph, Mo.
Henry Stowell, Troy, N. Y.

William A. Lent, Troy, N. Y.
Thaddeus B. Beecher, Bridgeport, Conn.
Henry Setzer, Jr., Bridgeport, Conn.
William F. Beck, Olney, Ill.
Gustave Anderson, Omaha, Neb.

The ballot resulted in forty-one being in favor of the adoption of the Majority Report, and twenty-four opposing the same. The resolution to adopt the Majority Report was therefore carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the Imperial Recorder be directed to draw an order on the Imperial Treasurer in favor of Niagara Frontier Lodge No. 132 for twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for use of their lodge room June 9th, 1891.

Carried.

On motion, it was

Resolved, To make Frank T. Haggerty the official stenographer of the Imperial Council, and that the Imperial Recorder be directed to draw an order on the Imperial Treasurer for the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for services rendered during the year 1891.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That hereafter the name and address, and Masonic qualifications of all candidates rejected by subordinate Temples shall be forwarded each month to the Imperial Recorder, who shall at the end of each month mail to the Recorder of every Temple in the Jurisdiction a printed list of such rejected candidates, together with the name of the Temple rejecting them.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Constitution, Statutes and Standing Resolutions of this Imperial Council, revised and brought down to and include those adopted at this session, under the supervision of the Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, be printed for the use of this body and for the usual distribution.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Imperial Body be and are hereby heartily tendered to Ismailia Temple, of Buffalo, N. Y., who have so kindly gone out of their way at great expense and much trouble in true Arabic style to hospitably entertain this Imperial Body during our stay at Niagara Falls.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the Imperial Recorder be directed to prepare a uniform credential blank and mail them to the several Temples in ample time for

filling out and presentation at the next annual session of the Imperial Council.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the Imperial Treasurer shall pay each representative entitled to mileage and per-diem by check, and take his receipt therefor. The check to be drawn on the bank or banks in which the funds are deposited.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, To make the Arabic Calendar as prepared by Noble Charles A. Hiller, of Salina, Kan, the official calendar of the Imperial Council.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the call for the next meeting read for two days instead of one ; that it may be understood it will be a two days' session.

Carried.

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS SAM. BRIGGS, 33°,

Imperial Potentate, N. M. S., Cleveland, Ohio.

Ill.:Sir and Noble:—WHEREAS, we, the undersigned, were active members of the Imperial Council in the early days of the Order, when difficulties and dangers encompassed the small but enthusiastic band of Arabian Pilgrims, and

WHEREAS, on account of services rendered in those days, we were deemed worthy of being rewarded by election to the grade of Emeritus members of the Imperial Council, and

WHEREAS, as we are informed by those most conversant with the matter that the Rank of Emeritus membership was inadvertently and undesignedly omitted in the new Constitution adopted in 1888, and

WHEREAS, the Imperial Council at its last session in Pittsburgh, Pa., adopted an amendment to the Constitution, establishing Emeritus rank, which amendment was submitted in accordance with your recommendation at the session of 1889 in Chicago.

THEREFORE, we courteously and fraternally ask that you in your coming annual address suggest and recommend as has been previously done by you in your annual address of 1889, and again in 1890, that we, the undersigned, be restored to the rank of Emeritus members of the Imperial Council of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

One of our number, Frank H. Bascom, of Vermont, whose name would have been subscribed to this, perhaps "the noblest Roman of them all," an active member of the Supreme Council A. A. S. R., has joined the silent majority.

In sorrow and regret we append our signatures. CHARLES W. TORREY,
GEORGE O. TYLER,
A. L. RAWSON.

March, 1891.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the petition of the members be received, and the applicants be elected Emeritus members of the Imperial Council.

Carried.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, To add the name of Charles T. McClenachan to the list of Emeritus members. Making the list as follows: Charles W. Torrey, George O. Tyler, A. L. Rawson and Charles T. McClenachan.

Carried.

LOCATION AND TIME OF NEXT ANNUAL IMPERIAL COUNCIL MEETING.

JUNE 5, 1891.

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members for "The Imperial Council for North America :"

Greeting:

The nobility of Syrian Temple N. M. S. of the fertile Oasis of Cincinnati greets you with the Arabic salutation and extends to the Imperial Council a most cordial invitation to hold its session of 1892 in our Oasis. Our Temple, chartered in 1876, is one of the oldest in your jurisdiction and has never been honored with an Imperial session. Our valleys are fertile, our crops are promising, and we anticipate a generous harvest. We are holding our largest caravan in readiness to dispatch it, laden with merchandise to Persia, and if it be your imperial pleasure to visit us we will exchange our wares for the choicest juices of the grape that your hearts may not know heaviness.

Done, by order of all the Sheiks at the Oasis of Syrian, on the twenty-fourth day of Showwal A. H. 1308.

EDWARD C. HARDING,
Katib.

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Nobility of the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S.:

In behalf of the Nobility of Tangier Temple, Oasis of Omaha, I extend to the Imperial Council a cordial invitation to hold its next session at Omaha.

Courteously,
GUSTAVE ANDERSON,
Potentate Tangier Temple.

June 9, 1891.

To the Imperial Potentate and Nobles of the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S.:

Your committee to whom was referred the time and place of holding the session of 1892, have had the matter under consideration, and recommend the date to be Tuesday, June 14th, in the city of Cincinnati, Ohio.

JOSEPH W. SMITH,
FRANK LOCKE,
J. W. KNOWLTON,
H. W. HUBBARD.

To the Imperial Potentate and Nobles of the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N.

M. S.:

For one on your committee to whom was referred the time and place of holding the next regular session of this Imperial Council, I would recommend as the place Omaha, Nebraska, and Thursday, August 4th, 1892, as the date.

FRANK J. HARD.

Moved that the majority report be adopted. Lost.

Moved that the minority report be adopted, amended that the date be fixed for Monday following the Grand Encampment at Denver. Carried.

ENTERED THE UNSEEN TEMPLE.

ALMINI, P. M.	Dec. 20, 1889	....	MEDINAH.
AINSWORTH, EDWARD E.	Aug. 12, 1890	....	EL KAHIR.
AYRES, GEORGE B.	Aug. 19,	"	 TANGIER.
BALL, NELSON H.	April 24,	"	AL MALAIKAH.
BALL, I. V.	June 19,	"	 ARARAT.
BARNHART, HENRY M.	Sept. 25,	"	 AL KORAN.
BASCOM, FRANK H.	Nov. 17,	"	 MOUNT SINAI.
BATES, ALVAH C.	Jan. 3,	"	 EL JEBEL.
BAXTER, J. H.	Dec. 4,	"	 ALMAS.
BEHRENE, MAX A. J.	Oct. 4,	"	 ALGERIA.
BEEM, H. S.	Dec. 3,	"	 ARARAT.
BETTS, EDWARD T.	April	"	 ISMAILIA.
BEACH, JOSEPH	Oct. 18,	"	 MOSLEM.
BENHAM, S. N.	Nov. 3,	"	 SYRIA.
BENTON, C. H.	Nov. 10,	"	 ZUHRAH.
BENNETT, ORLANDO	April 15,	"	 KISMET.
BINGHAM, CHARLES O.	April 30,	"	 MECCA.
BRANSON, GEORGE	Jan. 3,	"	 LU LU.
BUNGE, CHRISTOPH.	Sept. 17,	"	 MEDINAH.
BURKETT, JOHN L.	Jan. 12,	"	 SYRIAN.
BYRAM, H. H.	Aug. 9,	"	 SYRIA.
CALVIN, JAY	Oct. 15,	"	 YAAARAB.
CARFOOT, ARTHUR C.	Jan. 6,	"	 MECCA.
CARLTON, ROBERT H.	May	"	 ALEPPO.
CAMPBELL, WILLIAM A.	Dec. 10,	"	 MEDINAH.
CAMP, W. S.	Dec.	"	 ISMAILIA.
CRAMER, W. H. H.	Dec. 2,	"	 EL JEBEL.
CARNAHAN, WILLIAM J.	Oct. 28,	"	 LU LU.
DALRYNOBLE, FRANK R.	Oct. 24,	"	 MOILA.
DANIELS, A. H.	Dec. 29, 1889	....	SYRIA.
DEWEY, EDGAR O.	May 9, 1890	....	ALEPPO.
EVANS, FRANK C.	Sept. 25,	"	 KAABA.
ERLACHER, CHAS. A.	Jan. 17,	"	 MECCA.
EUSTIS, GEORGE	Aug. 19,	"	 SYRIAN.
FOSTER, JOSEPH H.	Nov. 17,	"	 MECCA.
GRIFFIN, LEWIS H.		"	 ACCA.
GRAHAM, ROBERT M. C.	Dec. 13,	"	 MECCA.
GOLDSMITH, JOHN	July 4,	"	 SALADIN.

GARRETT, WM. T.....	Jan. 14, 1890	ISLAM.
GERHARDT, FREDERICK G....	Sept. 30, "	MECCA.
HAMMEL, HENRY	"	AL MALAIKAH.
HALL, JOHN McP.....	Nov. 1, "	MOOLAH.
HARTLEY, J. W. F.....	June 25, "	ISLAM.
HALCOMB, FRANK A.....	Jan. 18, "	...SALADIN.
HAWLEY, CHAS. A.....	Feb. 14, "	ISLAM.
HAWLEY, AMOS HOYT	Sept. 16, "	AL KORAN.
HERSEY, BENJAMIN I.....	May 10, "	ALEPPO.
HILLER, EDWIN W.	Dec. 29, 1889	LU LU.
HUMPHREYS, JOHN H.	Dec. 7, 1890	MOUNT SINAI.
INGALLS, JOHN N.....	Jan. 8, "	ISLAM.
JOHNSON, ALLEN T.....	Dec. "	PALESTINE.
JUDSON, EDMUND L.....	April 9, "	CYPRUS.
KEATING, M. J.....	Jan. 23, "	ISLAM.
KELLEY, DAVID M.....	Jan. 20, "	MEDINAH.
KNOX, GEORGE C.....	June 1, "	AL MALAIKAH.
KREICHBAUM, JOSEPH R....	March 5, "	LU LU.
LAMSON, GEORGE W.....	March 16, "	OSMAN.
LEADBEATER, J. R.....	Feb. 7, "	MOSLEM.
LESTER, SULLIVAN W.	Jan. 5, "	ORIENTAL.
LIVANDAIS, AUGUSTUS D....	Jan. 17, "	MECCA.
MARTIN, JOHN	Aug. 29, "	LU LU.
MARTIN, J. S.....	Feb. 12, "	SALADIN.
MATHESON, JOHN.....	Nov. 1, "	TRIPOLI.
MERKEL, ANDREW D.....	Sept. 22, "	MOUNT SINAI.
MILLER, CALVIN A.....	Feb. 11, "	MECCA.
MILLER, JAMES M.....	Dec. 20, 1889	...MEDINAH.
MILLER, JOHN A.....	March 8, 1890	MURAT.
MILLER, WARREN F.....	"	MOSLEM.
MICHEL, FREDERICK L.....	July 29, "	MECCA.
MOORE, FRANCIS M.....	March 23, "	MURAT.
MOSLER, JULIUS	Nov. 1, "	SYRIAN.
MORAN, ALEXANDER	Feb. 2, "	MECCA.
MOUNTAIN, JOSEPH.....	July 13, "	MOOLAH.
MUNDY, EDWARD V.....	April 22, "	OSMAN.
MCCLELLAN, GEORGE R....	Jan. 10, "	MEDINAH.
MCCORMICK, S. B.....	July 7, "	OSIRIS.
McENROY, DONALD.....	April 29, "	MECCA.
NICHOL, JOHN.....	June 19, "	MEDINAH.
PARKINSON, GEORGE H.....	Nov. 4, "	MECCA.
PEARE, CHARLES M.....	Feb. 17, "	MOUNT SINAI.
PEARCE, WM. R.....	Oct. "	PALESTINE.
PHILLIPS, HENRY H.....	"	ACCA.

REED, GEORGE T.....	Nov. 23, 1890	.....	MECCA.
RIEHL, HARRY C.....	"	...	EL ZAGAL.
RILEY, S. S.	Feb. 16,	"	KOSAIR.
ROOME, CHARLES ...	June 28,	"	MECCA.
SCHEETZ, J. HOWARD.....	July 19,	"	LU LU.
SCOTT, BARTLEY B.....	Dec.	"	TRIPOLI.
SENIOR, RICHARD.....	March 26,	"	MECCA.
SETTLE, WILLIS E.....	June 20,	"	ORIENTAL.
SITTON, CHARLES E.....	April 19,	"	...AL KADER.
SLOCOMB, R. T.....	Jan. 6,	"	...JERUSALEM.
SOMERVILLE, JOSIAH G.....	"	.....	ALGERIA.
SOMERBY, SAMUEL E.....	Jan. 19,	"	ALEPPO.
SPRAGUE, S. H.....	Sept. 18,	"	SYRIA.
STEWART, JAMES S.....	May 19,	"	...EL JEBEL.
STUDER, HENRY	Aug. 11,	"	SALAAM.
STRICKER, PETER.....	June 9,	"	SYRIAN.
TAFT, A. C.	April 20,	"	.MOUNT SINAI.
TEEGARDEN, M. P.....	Sept.	"	TRIPOLI.
TILLSON, JOHN.....	July 5,	"	ALEPPO.
THOMPSON, GEORGE M.....	March 26,	"	SYRIAN.
TRENWITH, EDWARD J.....	March 7,	"	...EL JEBEL.
WALES, RICHARD F.....	March 17,	"	SYRIAN.
WATSON, W. S.....	Jan. 29,	"	ALEPPO.
WELLING, SIMEON D.....	Feb. 11,	"	...EL KAHIR.
WELSH, JOHN.....	March 1,	"	LU LU.
WERRIN, JOHN S... ..	Oct. 10,	"	ISLAM.
WILDER, EDWARD P.....	March 3,	"	MECCA.
WILLIAMS, CHRISTOPHER G..	Oct. 1,	"	...AL KORAN.
WILLIAMS, EDWARD.....	Aug. 5,	"	MECCA.
WILLIAMS, CHARLES A.....	Jan. 4,	"	HELLA.
WILSON, JOSEPH C.....	Sept. 9,	"	...EL JEBEL.
WILSON, JAMES C.	Aug. 23,	"	SYRIA.
WILSON, JOHN.....	Jan. 17,	"	SYRIAN.
WHITEHEAD, J. M.....	April 20,	"	MEDINAH.
WINTERBOTTOM, THOMAS W.	Sept. 10,	"	MECCA.
WOODMANSEE, ROSS	Dec. 5,	"	...KAABA.
YOUNG, JOHN L.	Dec. 13,	"	MECCA.

GLORY TO HIM

WHO TRANSPORTED HIS SERVANT TO THE UNSEEN TEMPLE!

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

MALTA, April April 10, 1891.

To SAM. BRIGGS, Imperial Potentate of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in the United States of America :

Most Faithful and Excellent Noble Es Selamu Aleikum ! Behold these my Greetings !

As a Representative of the American Branch of our Order in the Mediterranean and its adjacent territories, I take sincere pleasure in reporting to you, and through you to our Moslem brothers who tread the golden sands that carpet the Mystic *beriyeh* of the Great Republic, the information that all goes well in this division of the world-girdling *Bektash*. That reverses have come to seven of the smaller Temples within my jurisdiction (if I may use that term) we all, of course, deplore ; but those reverses were in no sense the consequence or exposition of any inherent weakness or flaw in the constitutional principles of the Order. They were distinctly local in character and local in their effects. I may, perhaps, be permitted to give you one or two examples. In the Temple of *Ibn Adam* at Mehallet el-Kebir on the Diametta branch of the Nile, two Nobles were discovered to be members of the Shrine between whom the *Kashku* existed. The Egyptian *Kashku* can be described the most briefly by comparing it to the Corsican *vendetta* or the Italian *mafia*. It is only in the mid-heart district of the Delta—known in ancient times as the land of Rahab—that the *Kashku* still obtains ; in nearly all other parts of civilized Egypt the beneficent influence of the Mystic Shrine has quietly and fraternally subdued all tribal rancors, and checked at its sources the flow of family blood that not long since ran so freely and so red.

But on the seventh day of last Ramadan, in the Hall of the Ostrich Feathers of Ibu Adam Shrine, Abul-Mahasin and Abdalla Athir met in deadly strife. Seventy years ago, on the same day of the Ramadan, Abul's grandfather had slain a helpless female ancestor of Abdalla with no sufficient provocation, and while, it is said, the old man was frenzied from excessive fasting and fanatical religious zeal. An already existing family feud became intensified from that day, and has lived, with intervening fatal incidents, until last year. The final chapter was written in blood last Ramadan, and closed. In the very Hall where Abul and Abdalla killed each other the two Nobles had often met in friendliest apparent converse and exchanged the

welcoming *markaba* and *markabtën*. In one brief moment these Shriners—and both were young men of unusual ability and attractive presence—forgot their vows and their sworn charity, and corrupted the temple floor with human and unfilial blood. That settled the fate of the Shrine in Mchallet el-Kebir, for, according to Mohammedan usage, where blood has been spilled no son of Islam may tread. The Temple of Ibu Adam, therefore, has been blotted from the Egyptian calendar, the regalia and furnishings and weapons burned and thrown into the Nile, and the graceful *betak* razed to the ground. The Nobles now attend the sessions of the Shrine at Mansura, “which is over against Talkha.”

The disaster that overtook the Shrine of *Léletak Saideh* (“May thy night be happy!”) in the ancient town of Haleb, Syria, was perhaps more deplorable than the one I have outlined,—more deplorable in the sense that the lives of the Nobles who were lost were the unfortunate victims of an archaeological research intended to advance the renown of the very institution that was their physical death. It happened in this way : The Shrine Temple of *Léletak Saideh* was situated on a spur of calcareous rock near Haleb, on the road to Antioch, and it is supposed that some valuable chronicles written by Abdulfidâ, a Syrian prince and Noble who died in 1331, had long lain hidden in a hermetically sealed crevice or chamber directly beneath the natural foundation of the temple. If those erudite documents could be unearthed, a certain missing link in the chain of Shrine history would be replaced, and a necessary light thrown on a dark and critical period. The graceful and lovely Shrine temple structure had cost a large number of shekels, and though plain and windowless outside (not unlike a sheik’s white tomb that one sees on the Morocco headlands), it was surmounted by a charming dome, and was extremely beautiful within. When I visited it one evening during the month Safar, two years since, I thought I had never seen a more pleasing or richly appointed interior. It entranced every refined sense and seemed, in my case at least, the fruition of its inviting name—*Léletak Saideh*, or “May thy night be happy !”

The city of Haleb was once the centre of Saracenic power, and still retains much of the best of its older Arabian character, and its citizens are still famed throughout the East for their elegant manners. It lies between the two historic rivers Orontes and Euphrates, and its well-paved streets and stately houses and numerous cupolas and minarets make it still spoken of as “one of the most beautiful *medains* in the East.” Add to the elegant manners of the Haleb Muslims the genuine hospitality they impart, and you may fancy how delightfully I was received and welcomed with the hearty *Marhabitën ! es-salam aleikum !* and how deliciously I was sent away with that warmest of good byes ringing in my ears : *Al Allah ! U aleikum es-salam warahmet Allah wa barakatu !* all of which meaneth, as most American Nobles know, “Twice welcome ! Health be with you,” and, “To God’s protection ! And with you be peace and God’s mercy and blessing.”

But, Most Illustrious, I cry your mercy for this diversion. The disaster

that overtook the Shrine of *Léletak Saideh* was thus related to me in a recent letter from Moustapha Abou el-Oz, the Chief Rabban of the Order in Haleb. When it was determined to explore for the princely Abdulfida chronicles, the Nobles themselves volunteered to do the work as was needed. A high stockade of pistachio limbs was erected around the temple for greater secrecy, and excavations were begun from four different points, all, however, trending to a focus point directly beneath the center of the structure. The labor was unexpectedly easy and quick of performance, for the calcareous rock was found to be honeycombed with many chamber-like spaces. After a month's work a central cavern was arrived at, and it was believed that the removal of a large boulder from the ceiling would disclose the sought-for papyri. Seventy of the most scholarly Nobles of the Shrine were present on the fatal night. The torches flung long javelins of quivering light into ragged recesses, and illumined the stained garments of the workers and the snowy beards of the venerable savans. Expectancy, almost triumph, shone from the dark eyes that watched the removal of the huge rock from its earth-born bed. To prevent the rock from falling suddenly, jack-screws and timbers were placed under it. All was ready. The spectators were breathless with eagerness. The iron bars were inserted into cracks in the ceiling, and the place rang and re-rang with sturdy blows. It was the "open-sesame" act being performed in the bowels of the earth. The score of bars were forced deeper up into the crevices, and the great rock shivered a bit. One more plunge all together, and it was felt the stone must yield. It yielded, and for a moment rested upon the screws and timbers, but only for a moment. The rumble of hundreds of tons of misplaced rock falling came to the ears of the doomed seventy, and in one awful coma the eternal rocks above gave way, the walls of the temple bent inwards and crashed in and down like cardboards, the supporting jacks and beams snapped like brittle pipe-stems, the torches were extinguished, and the cavern that but now contained the very flower of Haleb's Moslem chivalry and worth was forever choked and packed solid with the débris of the stately growth of centuries. The beautiful Shrine of *Léletak Saideh* was no more! A shapeless mass of ruins alone marks the spot now. The bodies of the devoted seventy lie crushed and everlastingly buried there amid the cruel stones and the rotting regalia and the jewelled altars, urns, scimetars, priceless Korans, sceptres, crescents, staves, caskets, mallets and spears that once did their appointed offices in the most worthful Shrine in Syria. It was all as abhorrent as pitiful. The heart sickens at the recital. It was a disaster so plethoric with the elements of dismay and grief and horror that it is a unique thing in horrors. And yet it is possible those who perished there would not have chosen a more fitting entombment than to lie beneath the temple—ruin though it be—that they loved and served so well. The coveted papyri have never been found, nor will the temple ever be rebuilt there. Where blood has been shed no son of Islam may tread.

The five other temples of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the

Mystic Shrine that came to grief were respectively situated in northeastern Barbary (2), Cyprus (1), Crimea (1), and Gozo (1). In each and every case, as I have said, the causes were purely local, and quite extraneous to the elementary environments of any Shrine.

In the course of my round of visits in the storied sea I witnessed the exemplification of temple work in six Shrines in the Levant, two in Egypt, one in Albania, two in Algiers, one in the regency of Tunis, one in Sicily, one in Marseilles, one struggling one in the Balearic Islands, and a dozen others in neighboring countries. While in Athens in the Muslim month of Duhl-Higgeh, I attended the funeral of the Illustrious Noble Omar el-Hadini, whose remains were buried in the Greek cemetery near the ancient Necropolis. A considerable portion of his Morea real estate was left to the Attica Shrine in trust, the income to be devoted to the classical education of the children of deceased Athenian Nobles. Omar was a model, steadfast Shriner, a profound scholar, and an enthusiastic archaeologist. The late Professor Schliemann told me Omar's excessive diffidence was only equalled by his remarkable erudition. The Shrine lost a valuable member when he died, and the republic of letters a promising, earnest worker. Unusual as it is for a literary man—unless, perhaps, in the case of some editors—Omar died rich, though but forty-two years of age. He ascribed his material prosperity to a friendship he made while serving as Oriental Guide in his temple. He used to say: Nobles who meet in the *Sawa abyad tulû esh-shems* (literally, In the Morning by the Sunrise—or The Shrine) year after year, who walk and work together in ways that are open to them by their membership in the great Fraternity, are likely to become closely united in thought and affection. Blessed are the friendships thus formed. They abide. They mean something of zest and support to strong natures. How sad when for any cause such friendships are broken. "The friends thou hast, and their adoption tried, grapple them to thy soul with hooks of steel."

Omar's grave lies near the ancient Sacred Way where the extreme points of the circling shadows of the matchless Parthenon and the peerless Propylæa rest upon it in the morning by the sunlight. After the interment, I walked across the yet green fields, and crossed over Mars Hill, and finally climbed the winding path that led up to the altogether most glorious group of ruins on this earth—the Acropolis. Sir Ajax Caravias, the Potentate of the Athens Shrine, and a half-dozen other Nobles were with us. We took up a position on the "front steps" of the Parthenon. The sun was just setting behind the dreamy hills of billowy Morea, and the translucent sky was purpling slowly for the approaching gloaming. Byron stood where I was standing, and after viewing exactly such a scene apostrophized it immortally. I have never seen hills that seem to *float* as do those of Morea. They are as winning and beautiful now as when they entranced the gaze of Pericles.

"Eternal summer gilds them yet,
And all, except their sun, is set."

Yonder, says some one, is the bay of Salamis, where Themistocles defeated the Persians, and above it is the bill on which the proud Persian monarch Xerxes sat to see the ruin of the Greek ships, but from which before the day was ended he fled in dismay. To such points Demosthenes could point, as he stood in the Bema just below us, and thundered to the Athenian people, and by such recollections he roused them to "march against Philip, to conquer or die." A mile and a half distant, but in full sight, was the grove of the Academy where Plato taught, and here, under the Acropolis, is the rock-hewn prison of Socrates. After putting the wisest man of the age to death, the inconstant people paid almost divine honors to his memory. The Ægean Sea glimmers sparkingly beyond the Piræus, and looks so placid and sweet in its utter loveliness that it is difficult to believe its turquoise waters were ever stained by the crimson tears of Salamis.

"Such is the aspect of this shore ;
'Tis Greece, but living Greece no more!"

Unquestionably pronounced as even the present day natural beauty of Attica is, yet it makes one sad to behold it all. I suppose it is the recollection of her superb and glorious past that does it. You simply *cannot* forget it. I confess I was so impressed by thoughts of her present national insignificance, as compared to her former mighty importance, that, as we walked back into Athens under the early starlight, even the heavy fragrance from the orange groves and the songs poured out from the rich-throated nightingales in the overhanging branches, or even the strains of *Fra Diavolo* from a Greek band that was playing in the King's garden hard by, failed to rally my usual spirits. And when I said "good night" to Sir Ajax and my other good Shrine fraters (it was a "good bye" in reality, for I was to leave Athens the next morning at daybreak), I fear they must of thought me well-nigh the gloomiest and most unresponsive American Arab they had ever been kind to. It was not moroseness, it was retrospection that did it!

By personal visits to or correspondence with the various leading Shrines throughout a considerable portion of the East during the last two years, I am able to confidently inform you that our Order is in a thoroughly excellent and prosperous condition. Better even than to be flourishing, it is steadfast. It has never taken a backward step. It is rooted in perpetuity. It is, in the economy of being, as firm a thing as an everlasting hill. Nothing can remove or shake the hill other than some as yet undiscovered force or convulsion in nature. So, too, nothing can annihilate the Shrine but some totally unknown property of existence capable of accomplishing a complete revulsion in human life and feeling. As the pen is mightier than the sword, so is the part greater than the whole—the heart more precious than the body. Humanity will, I trust, yet bless the Shrine in the western hemisphere as profoundly as it has come to be blest in the eastern. Let gentleness and charity be but another reading of our tiger-crescent motto: "Robur et

Furor"! Let the cross and the crescent stand in inseparable accord. Let the pyramids alone be less eternal than our noble Order.

I have the honor to be, Illustrious Sir and Brother, yours, in the name of the Merciful, the Compassionate,

JOHN WORTHINGTON,

*Deputy and Representative of the Imperial Council at Malta,
Mediterranean Sea.*

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EDWARD C. CULP,	SALINA, KANSAS.	<i>Imperial Captain of the Guard,</i>
CHARLES L. FIELD,	SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.	<i>Imperial Outer Guard,</i>
THEODORE ELMENDORF,	CLEVELAND, O.	<i>Imperial Assistant Guard,</i>

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73. Walker, George H. 1427 F St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
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2. Rawson, Albert L. Paskack, N. J.
3. Worthington, John. Island of Malta.

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4. McClenachan, Charles T. New York, N. Y.

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1. Angel, Frank W.....Davenport, Iowa.
2. Anthony, Jesse B.....Troy, N. Y.
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4. Babcock, Brenton D.....Cleveland, Ohio.
5. Ball, Dayton.....Albany, N. Y.
6. Barnard, Charles E.....Utica, N. Y.
7. Barnes, Wm. H. L.....San Francisco, Cal.
8. Belvin, Preston.....Richmond, Va.
9. Blake, Edward A.....Chicago, Ill.
10. Blakeslee, Arthur R.....Birmingham, Conn.
11. Browne, Benjamin W...Washington, D. C.
12. Carse, Henry.....Rock Island, Ill.
13. Carter, Samuel R.....Rochester, N. Y.
14. Caufy, Luther L.....Milwaukee, Wis.
15. Collins, James A.....Cincinnati, Ohio.
16. Collins, John F.....New York, N. Y.
17. Corliss, John B.....Detroit, Mich.
18. Cox, Edward B.....Troy, N. Y.
19. Cushman, Charles W.....Buffalo, N. Y.
20. Ehlers, Edward M.....New York, N. Y.
21. Elliott, Eugene S.....Milwaukee, Wis.
22. Fitch, William E.....Albany, N. Y.
23. Fones, Civilion.....Bridgeport, Conn.
24. Fowler, William.....New York, N. Y.
25. Gray, John H.....San Francisco, Cal.
26. Griffiths, Thomas J.....Utica, N. Y.
27. Grose, Joseph R.....South Boston, Mass.
28. Haseltine, John W.....Philadelphia, Pa.
29. Hastings, Frank S.....Leavenworth, Kan.
30. Haxton, Benjamin F.....Detroit, Mich.
31. Herrick, William H.....Montpelier, Vt.
32. Heyzer, Charles H.....New York, N. Y.
33. Higgins, Marvin R.....Los Angeles, Cal.
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35. Holman, John A.....Indianapolis, Ind.
36. Hopkins, John S.....Baltimore, Md.
37. Hughes, Daniel E.....Philadelphia, Pa.
38. Hurlbut, Vincent L.....Chicago, Ill.
39. Jones, Erasmus D.....Albany, N. Y.
40. Land, Frank E.....Chicago, Ill.
41. Lenhart, Philip F.....Brooklyn, N. Y.
42. Loder, George F.....Rochester, N. Y.

43. McClenachan, Charles T..... New York, N. Y.
44. McCoubray, Thomas, Jr. Baltimore, Md.
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46. McGaffey, Henry H..... Indianapolis, Ind.
47. Mason, Clarence B..... Newport, R. I.
48. Metcalf, George R..... St. Paul, Minn.
49. Moriarty, Albert P..... New York, N. Y.
50. Northrop, Aaron L..... New York, N. Y.
51. Pantlind, George E Grand Rapids, Mich.
52. Roome, Charles..... New York, N. Y.
53. Ryan, William..... Louisville, Ky.
54. Schlener, John A..... Minneapolis, Minn.
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57. Sherwood, Benson..... New York, N. Y.
58. Shipman, Ozias W..... Detroit Mich.
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70. Waters, John Newport, R. I.
71. White, Jarvis..... Davenport, Ia.
72. Whiting, William H..... Rochester, N. Y.
73. Williams, John D..... Elmira, N. Y.
74. Wing, George W..... Montpelier, Vt.
75. Wright, William H. S..... St. Paul, Minn.

TEMPLES UNDER THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

OFFICERS FOR 1891.

1.—ABDALLAH TEMPLE, LEAVENWORTH, KAN.

Chester B. Gunn (409 Delaware St.)	Potentate.
John D. Edmond	Chief Rabban.
Elmore W. Snyder	Assistant Rabban.
Edward W. Osgood	High Priest and Prophet.
John M. Laing	Oriental Guide.
Carl Hoffman	Treasurer.
Dwight Byington (418 Pine St.)	Recorder.
Edward Jobson	First Cer. Master.
Frank E. Collis	Second Cer. Master.
Henry C. F. Hackbusch	Marshal.
Erasmus T. Carr	Captain of Guard.
Thomas E. Conklin	Outer Guard.
Frank S. Hastings	Director.

Founded March 28, 1887.—Number of Members, 164.

2.—ACCA TEMPLE, RICHMOND, VA.

Louis P. Ecker	Potentate.
Fred. Pleasants	Chief Rabban.
George L. Street	Assistant Rabban.
F. W. Cunningham	High Priest and Prophet.
Louis Rawlings	Oriental Guide.
John F. Mayer	Treasurer.
William Ellis Jones (5 So. Twelfth St.)	Recorder.
George W. Rady	First Cer. Master.
Jonas F. Welcome	Second Cer. Master.
John F. Parham	Marshal.
John R. Charleton	Captain of Guard.
Junius A. Cosby	Outer Guard.
Horace N. Claxton	Director.

Founded June 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 109.

3.—AFIFI TEMPLE, TACOMA, WASH.

Frank B. Gault.....	Potentate.
Elijah M. Beatty.....	Chief Rabban.
Edmund T. Durgin.....	Assistant Rabban.
LeRoy Pratt.....	High Priest.
Samuel C. Milligan.....	Oriental Guide.
Henry Drum.....	Treasurer.
Richard A. Ketner (727 Railroad St.).....	Recorder.
William G. Rowland.....	First Cer. Master.
Nathan S. Porter.....	Second Cer. Master.
John A. Black.....	Marshal.
John T. Lee.....	Captain of Guard.
Mina Brotton.....	Outer Guard.
Edward R. Hare.....	Director.

Founded August 1, 1888.—Number of Members, 105.

4.—ALEPPO TEMPLE, BOSTON, MASS.

Thomas Waterman.....	Potentate.
George Harrison Allen.....	Chief Rabban.
Caleb Saunders.....	Assistant Rabban.
Leonard McKenny Averell.....	High Priest.
James Harvey Young.....	Oriental Guide.
Harry P. Stearns.....	Treasurer.
Benjamin W. Rowell (44 Kilby St.).....	Recorder.
George E. Bliss.....	First Cer. Master.
James W. Hinckley.....	Second Cer. Master.
George S. Carpenter.....	Marshal.
Stephen C. Lowe.....	Captain of Guard.
William R. H. Starke.....	Outer Guard.
Frank Locke.....	Director.

Founded June 23, 1882.—Number of Members, 1,352.

5.—ALGERIA TEMPLE, HELENA, MONT.

John W. Thomson (Pittsburgh Block).....	Potentate.
Richard Lockey.....	Chief Rabban.
William H. McCann.....	Assistant Rabban.
William T. Boardman.....	High Priest.
Benjamin W. S. Folk.....	Oriental Guide.
Theodore H. Kleinschmidt.....	Treasurer.
George Booker (P. O. Box 333).....	Recorder.
John Steinmetz.....	First Cer. Master.
Knute O. Opeim.....	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph J. Hindoon.....	Marshal.
Clarence B. Gassett.....	Captain of Guard.
John C. Major.....	Outer Guard.
Cornelius B. Nolan.....	Director.

Founded March 23, 1888.—Number of Members, 152.

5.—ALHAMBRA TEMPLE, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

George C. Connor.....	Potentate.
Thomas E. Stout.....	Chief Rabban.
William L. Shumate.....	Assistant Rabban.
Archibald N. Sloan.....	High Priest.
John B. Nicklin.....	Oriental Guide.
John B. Nicklin.....	Treasurer.
William W. Simpson.....	Recorder.
William R. Wilson.....	First Cer. Master.
Frederick F. Wallace.....	Second Cer. Master.
Charles L. Morrison.....	Marshal.
Robert C. Shelby.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles H. Dyer.....	Outer Guard.

Founded September 7, 1880.—Number of Members, 55.

7.—AL KADER TEMPLE, PORTLAND, OREGON.

Irving W. Pratt (69 So. First St.).....	Potentate.
Joseph W. Hill.....	Chief Rabban.
David S. Tuthill.....	Assistant Rabban.
George E. Withington.....	High Priest.
D. W. Taylor.....	Oriental Guide.
John R. Foster.....	Treasurer.
B. G. Whitehouse (100 Third St.).....	Recorder.
D. C. McKercher.....	First Cer. Master.
Andrew Roberts.....	Second Cer. Master.
James W. Cook.....	Marshal.
C. W. Johnson.....	Captain of Guard.
Elisha A. Moses.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 3, 1888.—Number of Members, 86.

8.—AL KORAN TEMPLE, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Sam. Briggs (48 Cedar ave).....	Potentate.
Moses G. Carroll.....	Chief Rabban.
Arthur B. Foster.....	Assistant Rabban.
John M. Gorham.....	High Priest.
William E. Thurber.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles Wesley.....	Treasurer.
Sam. Briggs (48 Cedar ave).....	Recorder.
Charles F. Spencer.....	First Cer. Master.
William W. Furry.....	Second Cer. Master.
Horace W. Hubbard.....	Director.
James T. Sargent.....	Marshal.
John W. Gibbons.....	Captain of Guard.
Theodore Elmendorf.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 16, 1876.—Number of Members, 475.

9.--AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Hervey Lindley.....	Potentate.
James R. Dupuy.....	Chief Rabban.
John Milton Johnston.....	Assistant Rabban.
Benjamin N. Smith.....	High Priest.
Charles O. Scott.....	Oriental Guide.
Tom. Jeremiah Weldon.....	Treasurer.
David E. Barclay (747 So. Spring st.).....	Recorder.
George E. Seip.....	First Cer. Master.
Robert W. Kenney.....	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas E. Walker.....	Marshal.
Cornelius V. Baldwin....	Captain of Guard.
Robert R. Brown.....	Director.

Founded February 6, 1888.—Number of Members, 165.

10.--ALMAS TEMPLE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Fred G. Alexander.....	Potentate.
Leonard C. Wood.....	Chief Rabban.
David G. Dixon.....	Assistant Rabban.
Harrison Dingman.....	High Priest.
A. W. Johnston.....	Oriental Guide.
Aaron Baldwin.....	Treasurer.
John H. Olcott (1009 20th St. N.M.).....	Recorder.
Albert T. Coumbe.....	First Cer. Master.
Wm. J. Byers.....	Second Cer. Master.
Andrew W. Kelley.....	Marshal.
James M. Hodges.....	Captain of Guard.
James H. Trimble.....	Outer Guard.
Jesse F. Grant.....	Director.

Founded January 7, 1886.—Number of Members, 247.

11.--ARARAT TEMPLE, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Ethelbert F. Allen (34 Beals Building).....	Potentate.
Charles A. Hibbard.....	Chief Rabban.
Bryson L. McClain.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles S. Owsley.....	High Priest.
Frank F. Bozzelle.....	Oriental Guide.
William P. Moores.....	Treasurer.
Rufus M. Eades (572 Sheidley Bldg.).....	Recorder.
Benj. C. Burgess.....	First Cer. Master.
William V. Clark.....	Second Cer. Master.
S. L. C. Hasson.....	Marshal.
H. M. Tileson.....	Captain of Guard.
W. H. Donaldson.....	Outer Guard.
W. W. Cowan.....	Director.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 303.

12.--BALLUT ABYAD TEMPLE, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Edward Medler.....	Potentate.
Joseph H. Kuhns.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles H. Woodworth.....	Assistant Rabban.
Frederick A. Cimeron.....	High Priest.
Henry L. Keaggy.....	Oriental Guide.
Arthur J. Maloy.....	Treasurer.
Augustus C. Briggs.....	Recorder.
James H. Wrotts.....	First Cer. Master.
Frederick H. Kent.....	Second Cer. Master.
Elisa S. Stover.....	Marshal.
Edward W. Bliss.....	Captain of Guard.
Alexander M. Whitecomb.....	Outer Guard.
John L. Andrews.....	Director.

Founded June 11, 1887.—Number of Members, 32.

13.—BOUMI TEMPLE, BALTIMORE, MD.

William C. Nickum.....	Potentate.
James P. Clark.....	Chief Rabban.
C. M. McCahn.....	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob Likes.....	High Priest.
Henry O. Reese.....	Oriental Guide.
Samuel W. Regester.....	Treasurer.
David F. Penington (1 W. Lexington St.).....	Recorder.
Mark A. J. Clift.....	First Cer. Master.
C. H. Clum.....	Second Cer. Master.
C. H. Bischoff.....	Marshal.
Dr. A. B. Lyman.....	Captain of Guard.
J. W. Guest.....	Outer Guard.
George W. Starr.....	Director.

Founded March 31, 1884.—Number of Members, 272.

14.—CYPRESS TEMPLE, ALBANY, N. Y.

Thomas J. Bishop (Greenbush Heights, Rensselaer Co.).....	Potentate.
Charles H. Armitage.....	Chief Rabban.
William W. Grey.....	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Quinby.....	High Priest.
John L. Godley.....	Oriental Guide.
Erasmus D. Jones.....	Treasurer.
William E. Fitch (328 So. Pearl St.).....	Recorder.
Henry W. Young.....	First Cer. Master.
Calvin H. Eaton.....	Second Cer. Master.
James H. Kelly.....	Director.
E. L. Taylor.....	Marshal.
F. L. Mix.....	Captain of Guard.
William H. Gladding.....	Outer Guard.

Founded February 2, 1887.—Number of Members, 157.

15.—DAMASCUS TEMPLE, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Geo. F. Loder	Potentate.
William H. Whiting	Chief Rabban.
Sidney C. Mackaye	Assistant Rabban.
Samuel C. Pierce	High Priest.
Burton H. Davy	Oriental Guide.
Edward Schaefer	Treasurer.
William Davis	Recorder.
Harry B. James	First Cer. Master.
Conrad Eekhart	Second Cer. Master.
Edward C. Way	Marshal.
John M. Aiken	Captain of Guard.
William H. Davenport	Outer Guard.
Samuel R. Carter	Director.

Founded January 4, 1875.—Number of Members, 298.

16.—EL JEBEL TEMPLE, DENVER, COLO.

S. A. Shepperd	Potentate.
W. B. Felker	Chief Rabban.
Thomas Nicholl	Assistant Rabban.
W. W. Anderson	High Priest.
S. W. Chaney	Oriental Guide.
Chas. A. Raymond	Treasurer.
Frank J. Hard (P. O. Box 1906)	Recorder.
C. P. Wickes	First Cer. Master.
T. J. Morrison	Second Cer. Master.
J. C. McBeth	Marshal.
S. E. Darby	Captain of Guard.
W. J. Gibbs	Outer Guard.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 468.

17.—EL KALAH TEMPLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

Francis M. Bishop	Potentate.
John T. Donnellan	Chief Rabban.
Julius Gauer	Assistant Rabban.
Hiram Johnson	High Priest.
E. R. Clute	Oriental Guide.
James B. Briggs	Treasurer.
John L. Denham	Recorder.
W. H. Remington	First Cer. Master.
Samuel C. Ewing	Second Cer. Master.
J. F. Corker	Marshal.
Harvey Hardy	Captain of Guard.
Henry A. Gebhardt	Outer Guard.
John W. Neff	Director.

Founded June 26, 1890.—Number of Members, 16.

18.—EL KAHIR TEMPLE, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

Cyrus W. Eaton (19 Second Ave.)	Potentate.
Edward I. Foster	Chief Rabban.
Calvin G. Greene	Assistant Rabban.
James Morton	High Priest.
Upton C. Blake	Oriental Guide.
James L. Bever	Treasurer.
George W. Bever (City National Bank)	Recorder.
Charles H. French	First Cer. Master.
John B. Bever	Second Cer. Master.
William Flanagan	Marshal.
Marvin J. Gates	Captain of Guard.
Zelotes Farr	Outer Guard.
Marcus M. Hall	Director.

Founded February 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 305.

19.—EL KATIF TEMPLE, SPOKANE FALLS, WASH.

Clarence S. Scott	Potentate.
Nathan B. Rundle	Chief Rabban.
F. E. Snodgrass	Assistant Rabban.
Horace W. Tyler	High Priest.
Edward M. Bloomer	Oriental Guide.
John F. McEwen	Treasurer.
Fred Furth	Recorder.
Clarence W. Ide	First Cer. Master.
Erwin D. Ide	Second Cer. Master.
John H. Stone	Marshal.
Loren L. Rand	Captain of Guard.
John G. Schaidt	Outer Guard.
Louis Ziegler	Director.

Founded June 26, 1890.—Number of Members, 70.

20.—EL RIAD TEMPLE, SIOUX FALLS, S. D.

Curtis H. Winsor	Potentate.
Daniel S. Glidden	Chief Rabban.
William T. Doolittle	Assistant Rabban.
William H. Stoddard	High Priest.
George W. Burnside	Oriental Guide.
Charles S. Vincent	Treasurer.
Wm. H. Holt	Recorder.
Frank S. Emerson	First Cer. Master.
Collins D. Pratt	Second Cer. Master.
Benjamin F. Campbell	Marshal.
Joseph W. Jones	Captain of Guard.
Frank Kunerth	Outer Guard.
William D. Stites	Director.

Founded April 2, 1888.—Number of Members, 154.

21.—EL ZAGAL TEMPLE, FARGO, N. D.

Albert B. Guptill	Potentate.
Edward R. Sherburne	Chief Rabban.
B. F. Spaulding	Assistant Rabban.
John McLean	High Priest.
Frank J. Thompson	Oriental Guide.
Archie J. Craig	Treasurer.
J. O. Jewett	Recorder.
A. L. Loomis	First Cer. Master.
Walter W. Smith	Second Cer. Master.
S. L. Bean	Marshal.
Thomas Baker, Jr.	Captain of Guard.
Samuel T. Connick	Outer Guard.
Rufus E. Fleming	Director.

Founded November 29, 1889.—Number of Members, 82.

22.—HELLA TEMPLE, DALLAS, TEX.

George H. Green	Potentate.
George M. Sutherland	Chief Rabban.
James Garrity	Assistant Rabban.
George A. Webster	High Priest.
Joseph Swope	Oriental Guide.
Edwin M. Reardon	Treasurer.
Arthur D. H. Silver	Recorder.
John H. Hunter	First Cer. Master.
Lewis O. Martin	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph W. Hill	Marshal.
Charles A. Hotchkiss	Captain of Guard.
John James Service	Outer Guard.
Charles C. Curtice	Director.

Founded May 31, 1887.—Number of Members, 250.

23.—ISIS TEMPLE, SALINA, KAN.

Charles A. Hiller	Potentate.
Thomas L. Bond	Chief Rabban.
Leroy O. Wight	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob De Witt	High Priest.
Edward W. Wellington	Oriental Guide.
Oscar Seitz	Treasurer.
Emil Arner	Recorder.
John Anderson	First Cer. Master.
William H. Herbig	Second Cer. Master.
Edward H. Gibbs	Marshal.
Alex. Berg	Captain of Guard.
James Corden Stiles	Outer Guard.
Robert E. Nickles	Director.

Founded March 30, 1887.—Number of Members, 284.

24.—ISLAM TEMPLE, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Charles L. Field (312 Clay St.)	Potentate.
Hiram T. Graves	Chief Rabban.
Brilsford P. Flint	Assistant Rabban.
Charles L. Patton	High Priest.
C. S. Benedict	Oriental Guide.
Edward H. Hanson	Treasurer.
Victor D. Duboce (34 Steuart St.)	Recorder.
G. Howard Thompson	First Cer. Master.
Charles F. Burnham	Second Cer. Master.
Asa R. Wells	Director.
Henry Edward	Marshal.
William H. Smith	Captain of Guard.
Robert H. Mowbray	Outer Guard.

Founded March 6, 1883.—Number of Members, 396.

25.—ISMAILIA TEMPLE, BUFFALO, N. Y.

Charles W. Cushman (37 Chapin Block)	Potentate.
Frank T. Gilbert	Chief Rabban.
George L. Brown	Assistant Rabban.
John L. Brothers	High Priest.
Henry Smith, 2d.	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Bishop	Treasurer.
Erastus C. Knight	Recorder.
Frank M. Fisher	First Cer. Master.
Robert T. Walker	Second Cer. Master.
Charles A. De Laney	Marshal.
James A. Given	Captain of Guard.
Charles R. Dunning	Outer Guard.
George W. Voss	Director.

Founded March 5, 1887.—Number of Members, 302.

26.—JERUSALEM TEMPLE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Charles F. Buck (P. O. Box 81)	Potentate.
William T. Benedict	Chief Rabban.
David R. Graham	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Clark	High Priest.
Wm. J. Collins	Oriental Guide.
Arthur W. Hyatt	Treasurer.
Richard Lambert (P. O. Box 81)	Recorder.
George Soule	First Cer. Master.
Samuel Alston	Second Cer. Master.
A. H. De Pass	Marshal.
Mark Quayle	Captain of Guard.
John W. Madden	Outer Guard.

Founded March 30, 1885.—Number of Members, 58.

27.—KAABA TEMPLE, DAVENPORT, IA.

Clark L. Richards	Potentate.
John Hoyt	Chief Rabban.
Wilbur F. Fidler	Assistant Rabban.
George L. Osborn	High Priest.
Alonzo W. Cantwell	Oriental Guide.
Cyrus T. Darling	Treasurer.
Cornelius J. Brown (306 E. 8th St.)	Recorder.
William F. Winecke	First Cer. Master.
Frank L. Snell	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas Murray	Marshal.
Charles H. Reupke	Captain of Guard.
Ephraim R. Wright	Outer Guard.
George M. Cook	Director.

Founded (as Pyramid Temple) July 1, 1878.—Number of Members, 106.

28.—KISMET TEMPLE, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Wayland Trask (214 Adelphi St.)	Potentate.
Nathan W. Josselyn	Chief Rabban.
John D. Acker	Assistant Rabban.
John W. Richardson	High Priest.
Edwin D. Washburn	Oriental Guide.
Theodore Baldwin	Treasurer.
Sydney F. Walker	Recorder.
Clarence E. Stump	First Cer. Master.
John McGeehan	Second Cer. Master.
Marion Grimes	Marshal.
Charles Hoffman, Jr.	Captain of Guard.
Godfrey Lincks	Outer Guard.
Alonzo Brymer	Director.

Founded July 2, 1887.—Number of Members, 324.

29.—KOSAIR TEMPLE, LOUISVILLE, KY.

William Ryan (610 E. Broadway.)	Potentate.
John A. Stratton	Chief Rabban.
Chas. A. Graham	Assistant Rabban.
Frank H. Johnson	High Priest.
Chas. C. Voght	Oriental Guide.
John Finzer	Treasurer.
Will. E. Ryan (610 E. Broadway)	Recorder.
John F. Lewis	First Cer. Master.
Robert S. Moses	Second Cer. Master.
Wm. L. Lyons	Marshal.
E. C. Pearson	Captain of Guard.
George F. Evans	Outer Guard.
M. Cary Peter	Director.

Founded November 3, 1884.—Number of Members, 157.

30.—LULU TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Joseph S. Wright (704 Market St.)	Potentate.
Ezra S. Bartlett	Chief Rabban.
Edward B. Spencer	Assistant Rabban.
N. Fenece Lightner	High Priest.
Philip C. Schaffer	Oriental Guide.
Michael F. Benerman	Treasurer.
Charles Cary (417 Walnut St.)	Recorder.
John A. S. Heath	First Cer. Master.
John A. W. Gross	Second Cer. Master.
Edward B. Jordan	Director.
Jacob L. Brallier	Marshall.
George W. Walton	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin K. Paullin	Outer Guard.

Founded December 31, 1883.—Number of Members, 1,459.

31.—MECCA TEMPLE, NEW YORK.

Augustus W. Peters (60 Broadway)	Potentate.
Charles A. Benedict	Chief Rabban.
Philip C. Benjamin	Assistant Rabban.
Charles A. Heyzer	High Priest.
Robert P. Lyon	Oriental Guide.
George W. Millar	Treasurer.
William S. Paterson (100 Reade St.)	Recorder.
James V. Kirby	First Cer. Master.
Edgar M. Ayers	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph B. Eakins	Director.
George W. Wyatt	Marshal.
Valentine Hammann	Captain of Guard.
S. W. Swift	Outer Guard.

Founded September 26, 1872.—Number of Members, 1,548.

32.—MEDINAH TEMPLE, CHICAGO, ILL.

William A. Stiles (1028 Opera House Block)	Potentate.
William M. Knight	Chief Rabban.
Chester T. Drake	Assistant Rabban.
Canute R. Matson	High Priest.
Thomas H. Currier	Oriental Guide.
James S. Carter	Treasurer.
Frank M. Luce (167 Dearborn St.)	Recorder.
Robert M. Johnson	First Cer. Master.
John E. Norton	Second Cer. Master.
Alexander Ross	Marshal.
W. H. Thompson, Jr.	Captain of Guard.
Moses N. Fuller	Outer Guard.
Leonard W. Campbell	Director.

Founded October 30, 1882.—Number of Members, 1,121.

33.—MOILA TEMPLE, ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Maurice W. Steiner.....	Potentate.
William M. Shepherd.....	Chief Rabban.
Olin E. Van Deventer.....	Assistant Rabban.
George S. Crump.....	High Priest.
William B. McNutt.....	Oriental Guide.
Ewald Padberg.....	Treasurer.
Emanuel F. Hartsell (122 S. Fourth St.).....	Recorder.
Walter C. Stewart.....	First Cer. Master.
Robert C. Wheeler.....	Second Cer. Master.
Nathan G. Getchell.....	Marshal.
John M. Austin.....	Captain of Guard.
Horatio N. Turner.....	Outer Guard.
Walter J. Hilton.....	Director.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 93.

34.—MOOLAH TEMPLE, ST. LOUIS, MO.

Anthony H. Wallis (2000 Locust St.).....	Potentate.
Gus. V. R. Mechin.....	Chief Rabban.
Gus. W. Niemann.....	Assistant Rabban.
William Walsh.....	High Priest.
Benjamin Lynds.....	Oriental Guide.
Elisha H. Overstreet.....	Treasurer.
William H. Mayo (Freemasons' Hall).....	Recorder.
Benjamin Altheimer.....	First Cer. Master.
Ed. J. Shaw.....	Second Cer. Master.
Hiram H. Steibel.....	Marshal.
H. T. Jones.....	Captain of Guard.
John W. Owen.....	Outer Guard.
Jas. F. Ewing.....	Director.

Founded April 26, 1886.—Number of Members, 240.

35.—MOROCCO TEMPLE, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

John H. Stephens.....	Potentate.
Thos. S. Wilmarth.....	Chief Rabban.
Joseph Y. Porter.....	Assistant Rabban.
William A. McLean.....	High Priest.
William A. Dunn.....	Oriental Guide.
Otis L. Keene.....	Treasurer.
John H. Stephens.....	Recorder.
Wilber P. Webster.....	First Cer. Master.
William A. Bours.....	Second Cer. Master.
William N. Emery.....	Marshal.
Silas B. Wright.....	Captain of Guard.
Olin S. Wright.....	Outer Guard.
John D. Sinclair.....	Director.

Founded March 28, 1888.—Number of Members, 20.

36.—MOSLEM TEMPLE, DETROIT, MICH.

Lou Burr (95 Woodward Ave.).....	Potentate.
Fred. Fayram.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles F. Beck.....	Assistant Rabban.
S. O. Johnson.....	High Priest.
Harry Starkey.....	Oriental Guide.
Nicholas Coulson.....	Treasurer.
William M. Bailey (29 Miami Ave.).....	Recorder.
E. R. Harris.....	First Cer. Master.
M. P. Hurlburt.....	Second Cer. Master.
O. R. Baldwin.....	Marshal.
Wm. T. Simpson.....	Captain of Guard.
Joseph Waltham.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 2, 1880.—Number of Members, 448.

37.—MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, MONTPELIER, VT.

Collins Blakely.....	Potentate.
James E. Curran.....	Chief Rabban.
Edwin O. Hibbard.....	Assistant Rabban.
Stephen R. Colby.....	High Priest.
Charles A. Barnard.....	Oriental Guide.
Frank A. Dwinell.....	Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton (Lock Box 255).....	Recorder.
George M. Goss.....	First Cer. Master.
William H. Herrick.....	Second Cer. Master.
Arch. M. Bachelder.....	Marshal.
Chas. H. Fuller.....	Captain of Guard.
Russell C. Collins.....	Outer Guard.
William A. Braggs.....	Director.

Founded October 31, 1876.—Number of Members, 222.

38.—MURAT TEMPLE, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

John T. Brush (Room 30, When Block) ..	Potentate.
Chalmers Brown.....	Chief Rabban.
R. O. Hawkins	Assistant Rabban.
Byron K. Elliott.....	High Priest.
William H. Schmidt.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Meyer.....	Treasurer.
Joseph W. Smith (4 Ingalls Block).....	Recorder.
Willis C. Vajen.....	First Cer. Master.
Ahira R. White.....	Second Cer. Master.
Henry H. McGaffey.....	Director.
Frank T. Holliday.....	Marshal.
Samuel A. Johnston.....	Captain of Guard.
Frank Wilson.....	Outer Guard.

Founded march 13, 1884.—Number of Members, 342.

39.—ORIENTAL TEMPLE, TROY, N. Y.

William A. Lent.....	Potentate.
Williem Finder, Jr.....	Chief Rabban.
Henry Schneider.....	Asssstant Pabban.
Edward Wait.....	High Priest.
Isaac F. Handy.....	Oriental Guide.
Oliver Dexter, Jr.....	Treasurer.
William Pettes (273 River St.).....	Recorder.
S. V. Sturtevant.....	Marshal.
Robert Seitz.....	First Cer. Master.
William B. Perry.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward W. Loth.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles Teson.....	Outer Guard.
John H. Tappin.....	Director.

Founded February 6, 1877.—Number of Members, 304.

40.—OSIRIS TEMPLE, WHEELING, W. VA.

John C. Riheldaffer.....	Potentate.
Wm. M. Bougher.....	Chief Rabban.
Ed. L. Rose.....	Assistant Rabban.
F. H. Warden.....	High Priest.
R. H. List.....	Oriental Guide.
W. A. Wilson.....	Treasurer.
William H. Grabe.....	Recorder.
T. E. McCoy.....	First Cer. Master.
George W. Bremer.....	Second Cer. Master.
A. T. Hupp.....	Marshal.
S. Waterhouse, Jr.....	Captain of Guard.
T. W. Bliss.....	Outer Guard.
Alfred Paull.....	Director.

Founded July 22, 1886.—Number of Members 127.

41.—OSMAN TEMPLE, ST. PAUL, MINN.

Oscar M. Metcalf.....	Potentate.
Henry L. Carver.....	Chief Rabban.
Clarence E. Stone.....	Assistant Rabban.
Putnam W. Locke.....	High Priest.
Russell C. Munger.....	Oriental Guide.
Isaac Seddon.....	Treasurer.
Orville G. Miller.....	Recorder.
J. Edward Ingham.....	First Cer. Master.
John W. Owens.....	Second Cer. Master.
William J. C. Kenyon.....	Marshal.
Charles W. Nitterauer.....	Captain of Guard.
Jean C. Fischer.....	Outer Guard.
William H. S. Wright.....	Director.

Founded June 20, 1885.—Number of Members, 298.

42.—PALESTINE TEMPLE, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Horace K. Blanchard.....	Potentate.
Albert L. Anthony.....	Chief Rabban.
Horace S. Richardson.....	Assistant Rabban.
George L. Shepley.....	High Priest.
George C. Holden.....	Oriental Guide.
John G. Massie.....	Treasurer.
Walter Blodget, (49 Angell St.).....	Recorder.
John S. Rogers.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles H. C. Carter.....	Second Cer. Master.
Fred C. Bushee.....	Marshal.
Alpheus B. Slater, Jr.....	Captain of Guard.
Richard Chadwick.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 28, 1886.—Number of Members, 300.

43.—PYRAMID TEMPLE, BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

Thaddeus B. Beecher.....	Potentate.
Alpheus D. Dutton.....	Chief Rabban.
Clarence M. Foster.....	Assistant Rabban.
Edwin I. Pyle.....	High Priest.
Hugh Stirling.....	Oriental Guide.
Henry Gardner.....	Treasurer.
E. Stewart Sumner.....	Recorder.
David C. Mills.....	First Cer. Master.
William F. Doty.....	Second Cer. Master.
William J. Dorrance.....	Marshal.
Charles H. Peet, Jr.....	Captain of Guard.
Rodney S. Bassett.....	Outer Guard.
Eleazar Parmly.....	Director.

Founded April 18, 1877.—Number of Members, 559.

44.—RAMESES TEMPLE, TORONTO, CANADA.

Henry A. Collins.....	Potentate.
James Glanville.....	Chief Rabban.
James W. O'Hara.....	Assistant Rabban.
W. Simpson.....	High Priest.
N. L. Lyon.....	Oriental Guide.
George S. McConkey.....	Treasurer.
Arthur A. S. Ardagh (55 Yonge St.).....	Recorder.
L. B. Montgomery.....	First Cer. Master.
Joseph King.....	Second Cer. Master.
F. B. Lockwood.....	Director.
J. K. Leslie.....	Marshal.
John Sharp Boyd.....	Captain of Guard.
W. H. H. Smith.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 21, 1887.—Number of Members, 86.

45.—SAHARA TEMPLE, PINE BLUFF, ARK.

C. E. Rosenbaum (Little Rock, Ark.)	Potentate.
John T. Marsh	Chief Rabban.
William K. Ramsey	Assistant Rabban.
Ines O. Adams	High Priest.
David I. Mills	Oriental Guide
Alphonso Brewster	Treasurer.
Thomas W. Vining	Recorder.
Michael J. Hurley	First Cer. Master.
James Y. Saunders	Second Cer. Master.
William S. Gore	Marshal.
Wesley M. McGehee	Captain of Guard.
William J. D. Vernon	Outer Guard.
Alfred A. Tufts	Director.

Founded April 16, 1889.—Number of Members, 54.

47.—SALAAM TEMPLE, OLNEY, ILL.

William F. Beck (Olney Times Office)	Potentate.
John Von Gunten, Jr.	Chief Rabban.
Martin D. Foster	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Gunn	High Priest.
William A. Thompson	Oriental Guide.
Robert N. Stotler	Treasurer.
Nathan S. Marshal (Olney, Ill.)	Recorder.
Chas. Shultz, Jr.	First Cer. Master.
John H. Stanley	Second Cer. Master.
Harvey M. Hall	Director.
Robert F. Kasper	Marshal.
James W. Luther	Captain of Guard.
I. O. Wolf	Outer Guard.

Founded January 1, 1884.—Number of Members, 44.

47.—SALADIN TEMPLE, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

George F. Buss (Grand Rapids, Mich.)	Potentate.
Francis Letellier	Chief Rabban.
Henry K. Dean	Assistant Rabban.
Lou. B. Winsor	High Priest.
Noah H. Reynolds	Oriental Guide.
Thomas J. Lucas	Treasurer.
Samuel E. Watson (Blodgett Bldg.)	Recorder.
Nelson B. Clark	First Cer. Master.
Thos. W. Strahan	Second Cer. Master.
George E. Dowling	Director.
Uri S. Hayes	Marshal.
Frank E. Sprarker	Captain of Guard.
Charles H. Brown	Outer Guard.

Founded April 17, 1886.—Number of Members, 243.

48.—SESOSTRIS TEMPLE, LINCOLN, NEB.

James Tyler.....	Potentate.
George H. Simmons.....	Chief Rabban.
Lorenzo D. Woodruff.....	Assistant Rabban.
Alfred G. Hastings.....	High Priest.
Edward E. Lowman.....	Oriental Guide.
Jerry F. Morris.....	Treasurer.
Frank M. Glenn.....	Recorder.
J. H. Mauritius.....	First Cer. Master.
Alexander H. Hutton.....	Second Cer. Master.
John H. McClay.....	Marshal.
Earl A. Cooley.....	Captain of Guard.
George J. Hendry.....	Outer Guard.
Melchert H. Garten.....	Director.

Founded June 22, 1887.—Number of Members, 113.

49.—SYRIA TEMPLE, PITTSBURG, PA.

Thomas J. Hudson (P. O. Box 790).....	Potentate.
Arthur B. Wigley.....	Chief Rabban.
Americus V. Holmes.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles E. Miller.....	High Priest.
William S. Brown.....	Oriental Guide.
Joseph Eichbaum.....	Treasurer.
Frank A. Kingsley (400 Wood St.).....	Recorder.
Oscar C. Gauter.....	First Cer. Master.
John H. Page.....	Second Cer. Master.
James Kerr, Jr.....	Director.
Henry H. Arnold.....	Marshal.
James S. Arnold.....	Captain of Guard.
George C. Johnstone.....	Outer Guard.

Founded May 19, 1877.—Number of Members, 674.

50.—SYRIAN TEMPLE, CINCINNATI, OHIO.

William B. Melish (181 Walnut St.).....	Potentate.
Charles H. Flach.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles H. Fish.....	Assistant Rabban.
Sherwood B. Markland.....	High Priest.
Joseph Kirkup.....	Oriental Guide.
Thomas Kite, Jr.....	Treasurer.
Edward C. Harding (15 West Third St.).....	Recorder.
George T. Sterritt.....	First Cer. Master.
Frank G. Curry.....	Second Cer. Master.
William Michie.....	Director.
Joseph W. Cotteral, Jr.....	Marshal.
S. G. Sullivan.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles Sutphin.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 6, 1876.—Number of Members, 497.

51.—TANGIER TEMPLE, OMAHA, NEB.

Gustave Anderson (1504 Furman St.)	Potentate.
Henry C. Akin	Chief Rabban.
Napoleon B. Apple	Assistant Rabban.
L. M. Anderson	High Priest.
J. R. Stafford	Oriental Guide.
J. S. France	Treasurer.
Victor White (P. O. Drawer 44)	Recorder.
Charles S. Huntington	First Cer. Master.
Thomas Batterton	Second Cer. Master.
Henry C. Akin	Director.
Chas. A. Abercrombie	Marshal.
Richard Smith	Captain of Guard.
Henry Newell	Outer Guard.

Founded April 15, 1889.—Number of Members, 211.

52.—TRIPOLI TEMPLE, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Eugene S. Elliott (80 Wisconsin St.)	Potentate.
Luther L. Caufy	Chief Rabban.
William H. Morris	Assistant Rabban.
Daniel McL. Miller	High Priest.
George N. Wisewell	Oriental Guide.
John E. Armitage	Treasurer.
Benj. T. Leuzarder (634 Van Buren St.)	Recorder.
Julius Wichselberg	First Cer. Master.
Chris. Siebert	Second Cer. Master.
Adolph H. Wagner	Marshal.
J. P. Carmichael	Captain of Guard.
Thomas H. Corbett	Outer Guard.

Founded March 9, 1885.—Number of Members, 250.

53.—YAARAB TEMPLE, ATLANTA, GA.

H. C. Stockdell	Potentate.
C. N. Kight	Chief Rabban.
A. P. Woodward	Assistant Rabban.
F. M. Freemont	High Priest.
C. T. Watson	Oriental Guide.
A. W. Hill	Treasurer.
G. T. E. Hardeman	Recorder.
Ira M. Swartz	First Cer. Master.
G. H. Holliday	Second Cer. Master.
Jay D. Edwards	Director.
J. C. Hunter	Marshal.
G. C. Bancroft	Captain of Guard.
B. S. Loyd	Outer Guard.

Founded November 29, 1889.—Number of Members, 85.

54.—ZIYARA TEMPLE, UTICA, N. Y.

John W. Boyle (Utica, N. Y.)	Potentate.
Roderick Campbell	Chief Rabban.
Henry Chatfield	Assistant Rabban.
Edward Trevvett	High Priest.
Herbert H. Klock	Oriental Guide.
George D. Dimon	Treasurer.
George D. Frank	Recorder.
John H. Grant	First Cer. Master.
Edward M. Woidard	Second Cer. Master.
A. J. Fierstine	Marshal.
Charles F. Geerer	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin J. Thomas	Outer Guard.
Frank K. Baxter	Director.

Founded October 30, 1877.—Number of Members, 218.

55.—ZUHRAH TEMPLE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Joseph L. Dobbin (Temple Court)	Potentate.
Hugh Kirkwood	Chief Rabban.
J. B. Hudson	Assistant Rabban.
C. D. Roger	High Priest.
T. E. Mercer	Oriental Guide.
J. M. Williams	Treasurer.
H. M. Myers (704 Masonic Temple)	Recorder.
C. C. Curtis	First Cer. Master.
R. H. Hartley	Second Cer. Master.
W. H. Lyon	Captain of Guard.
William Cove	Outer Guard.
John A. Schlener	Director.

Founded July 25, 1885.—Number of Members, 218.

JUNE 9, 1891.

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| 1. Alabama | Zamora Temple. |
| 2. Arkansas | Sahara Temple. |
| 3. California | Al Malaikah and Islam Temples. |
| 4. Colorado | El Jebel Temple. |
| 5. Connecticut | Pyramid Temple. |
| 6. Dakota | El Riad Temple. |
| 7. District of Columbia | Almas Temple. |
| 8. Florida | Morocco Temple. |
| 9. Georgia | Yaarab Temple. |
| 10. Illinois | Medinah and Salaam Temple. |
| 11. Indiana | Murat Temple. |
| 12. Iowa | El Kahir and Kaaba Temples. |
| 13. Kansas | Abdallah and Isis Temples. |
| 14. Kentucky | Kosair Temple. |
| 15. Louisiana | Jerusalem Temple. |
| 16. Maryland | Boumi Temple. |
| 17. Massachusetts | Aleppo Temple. |
| 18. Michigan | Moslem and Saladin Temples. |
| 19. Minnesota | Osman and Zuhrah Temples. |
| 20. Missouri | Ararat, Moila and Moolah Temples. |
| 21. Montana | Algeria Temple. |
| 22. Nebraska | Sesostris and Tangier Temples. |
| 23. New Mexico | Ballut Abyad Temple. |
| 24. New York | { Cyprus, Damascus, Ismailia, Kismet, Media,
Mecca, Oriental and Ziyara Temples. |
| 25. North Dakota | El Zagal Temple. |
| 26. Ohio | Al Koran and Syrian Temples. |
| 27. Oregon | Al Kader Temple. |
| 28. Pennsylvania | Lu Lu and Syria Temples. |
| 29. Rhode Island | Palestine Temple. |
| 30. Tennessee | Al Chymia and Alhambra Temples. |
| 31. Texas | Ben Hur and Hella Temples. |
| 32. Utah | El Kalah Temple. |
| 33. Vermont | Mount Sinai Temple. |
| 34. Virginia | Acca Temple. |
| 35. Washington | El Katif and Affi Temple. |
| 36. West Virginia | Osiris Temple. |
| 37. Wisconsin | Tripoli Temple. |
| 38. Canada | Ramesis Temple. |

Number of Temples, 53.

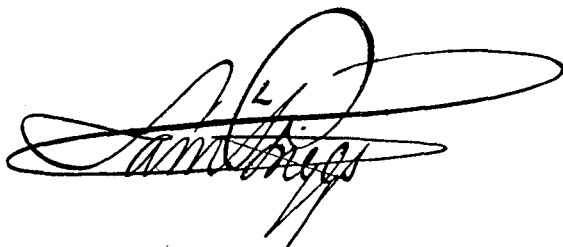
The Imperial Council.

CLOSING OF IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

The Imperial Council, at five o'clock P.M., was closed in Ample Form, with due Invocation and Declaration.

PUBLICATION.

The Proceedings of the Seventeenth Session are hereby approved for publication.



Imperial Potentate.



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Imperial Recorder.

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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION,

1892

PURSUANT to Resolution of June 9, 1891, the Eighteenth Annual Session of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America was held at Al Beyt Ullahi 'l Haram, Freemasons Hall, in the City of Omaha, Neb., on Nahar el Etnin, the 21st and 22d days of the first Arabic month of Moharrum, A. H. 1310, corresponding to Monday and Tuesday, the 15th and 16th days of August, A. D. 1892, at 9 o'clock A. M., and in accordance with the Notice issued to all Officers, Members and Temples, as follows:

ANNUAL NOTICE.

ES SELAMU ALEIKUM!

} OFFICE OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE,
} CLEVELAND, OHIO, JUNE 10, 1892.

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE :

The Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America will hold its Eighteenth Annual Session on Monday and Tuesday, August 15th and 16th, commencing Monday, August 15th, 1892, at 9 o'clock A. M., at Beyt Ullahi 'l Haram, Freemasons Hall, corner Sixteenth and Capitol avenue, Omaha, Nebraska.

The headquarters of the Congress will be at the Paxton Hotel.

All Nobles who will be in attendance are respectfully requested to correspond with Noble F. F. Williams, Chairman Hotel Committee, Omaha, Nebraska, in reference to rooms, that accommodations may be secured in time.

It is earnestly hoped that the officers and representatives will be in attendance.

It is absolutely necessary that delegates should arrive at Omaha by Sunday evening, August 14, to facilitate dispatch of business on August 15 and 16.

TEMPLES UNDER DISPENSATION.—Temples under dispensation are hereby ordered to transmit to the Imperial Recorder a full report of all work done up to August 1st, 1892, with the FEES FOR ALL NOBLES and the ANNUAL DUES, and accompanied with the DISPENSATION, for the consideration of the Imperial Council.

COMMITTEES.—All committees are requested to have their reports ready for presentation at the session, as far as possible. The following are the standing committees:

Credentials—Louis P. Ecker, Gustave Anderson, Geo. H. Walker, Lou. Burt, Dwight Byington.

Dispensations and Charters—Rich. P. Marvin, Jr., William Ryan, Clark L. Richards, Thomas J. Bishop, John A. May.

Finance and Accounts—Thomas J. Hudson, Geo. W. Millar, Horace W. Hubbard, Joseph W. Smith, William A. Stiles.

Grievances and Appeals—Thomas Waterman, Edward C. Culp, William A. Briggs, Rufus E. Fleming, Charles L. Field.

Jurisprudence and Laws—William B. Melish, William H. Mayo, Joseph L. Dobbin, Chas. W. Cushman, Lawrence M. Knepfly.

Mileage and Pay of Representatives—Joseph S. Wright, Oscar M. Metcalf, Samuel E. Watson, George F. Loder, Julius W. Knowlton.

Foreign Correspondence—Joseph B. Eakins, Richard A. Ketner, Curtis H. Winsor, M. W. Steiner, Ezra S. Bartlett.

Ritual—John W. Boyle, Geo. H. Burnham, Cyrus W. Eaton, Archibald N. Sloan, Henry H. McGaffey.

Deceased Members—William C. Nickum, James Tyler, Henry A. Collins, Henry Stowell, Albert B. McGaffey.

Transactions of Imperial Officers—Wayland Trask, Thaddeus B. Beecher, Ethelbert F. Allen, Henry C. Stockdell, Alfred Paull.

The following matters, laid over from seventeenth annual session, will be considered at this council.

Official Record, 1891, page 41:

The following resolutions were then offered and were referred to the committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, and will lie over until the next annual session (Omaha, August 15, 1892):

Resolved, That any person applying for degrees to any Temple shall be an actual resident of the jurisdiction of the Temple to which he applies for at least six months.

Resolved, That Article XV of the Constitution and Statutes be amended to read as follows: "The initiation fee in place of \$25.00 will be \$50.00."

Resolved, That Article XIII, Section 2, be amended by adding the following, to-wit:

"In each state and territory within the United States, where three or more Temples of the Order exist, no charter or dispensation shall be granted. And should any Temple of the Order have the charter recalled by the action of the Imperial Council, no new charter can be granted; provided, there be remaining three Temples of the Order within such state or territory."

Official Record, 1891, page 44.

Article III, Section 1, Statutes to be amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Representatives to the Imperial Council shall be appointed as follows: To every Temple working by authority of a charter granted by this Imperial Council there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be entitled to two Representatives when its membership reaches three hundred; three Representatives when its membership reaches six hundred, and four Representatives when its membership reaches nine hundred; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

Official Record, 1891, page 48:

"Moved that the new Ritual, when printed and sent out by the Imperial Recorder, be declared to be the Ritual of this Order after its next annual

session, and that the old Ritual be taken up and this Ritual remain in force until the next annual session, and that at that session the new Ritual shall come up on the question of final adoption.

“Amended, that the further consideration of the new Ritual be postponed until the next annual session of the Council (Omaha, August 15, 1892).”

Changes in the Constitution, Statutes and Regulations of the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, filed with the Imperial Recorder, June 10th, 1892:

Section 2, Article III. To strike out the word “annually” in the second line.

Section 6, Article III. Change to read: “No Representative or Representatives, except Past Imperial Potentates, shall be entitled,” etc.

Section 1 of Article IV. Add the words, “all of whom must be Representatives of the Imperial Council.”

Section 3 of Article IV. Leave out the words, “on the first day of the annual session.”

Section 4 of Article V. Add the words, “He shall have a yearly contingent fund, in such an amount as the Imperial Council may vote for each ensuing year, out of which all expenses of his office shall be defrayed.”

Section 4 of Article VIII. Change the first three lines so as to read, “He shall make an annual report of his accounts, and also a summary of the returns of the subordinate temples, showing the number of the members of each,” etc.

Section 1 of Article XI. Strike out the words, “annually and before the reading of his address,” and insert in place thereof, “at each session of the Imperial Council.”

Section 3 of Article XI. Change so as to read, “They shall particularly examine the work and records of each temple under dispensation and asking for a charter,” etc.

Section 4 of Article XI. Strike out the words, “settle and balance the same.”

Section 5 of Article XI. Change so as to make it read, “All matters of controversy, appeal or grievance brought before the Imperial Council shall be referred to this committee, whose duty it shall be to examine into the same and report their action thereon.”

Section 1 of Article XII. Add the words, “The expenses incurred by deputies shall be paid by the Imperial Treasurer, when approved by the Imperial Potentate.”

Section 7 of Article XIII. To substitute the word “was” for “is” in the sixth line of said section.

Article XIX. Add to the same, “The combining of the emblems of other secret orders or societies with the Jewel of the Shrine is deemed inappropriate, and is therefore prohibited. The wearing of the Fez and Jewel of the Order upon occasions other than meetings of Temples of the Arabic Order, or gatherings of Shriners under the authority of some legal body of the

Order, is ill-advised, and Potentates are expected to prevent such action on the part of their members."

Article XXVI. Make the clause beginning "the presiding officer" follow the first sentence of the section, also add the following: "Any member may appeal from the decision of the Illustrious Potentate of the temple of which he is a member to the Imperial Potentate, whose decision shall stand until the same shall be revoked by the Imperial Council."

Your presence at this coming session of the Imperial Council is fraternally solicited.

Faithfully yours,

SAM BRIGGS,

Imperial Potentate.

FRANK M. LUCE,

Imperial Recorder,

167 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

OPENING.

The Imperial Council in Annual Session was opened in full Ceremonial Form.

The IMPERIAL HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET delivered the solemn Invocation of the Order.

The Imperial Council was declared open in Ample Form, and in order for business.

The Roll of Officers was called, those present are recorded below, and appointments were made to fill the vacancies temporarily, as noted in the list of Officers.

PRESENT AT OPENING.

OFFICERS.

M. Ill.	SAM. BRIGGS.....	Imperial Potentate.
Ill.	GUSTAVE ANDERSON.....	as Imperial Deputy Potentate.
"	WILLIAM B. MELISH.....	Imperial Chief Rabban.
"	THOMAS J. HUDSON.....	Imperial Assistant Rabban.
"	JOHN T. BRUSH.....	Imperial High Priest and Prophet.
"	GEORGE W. MILLAR.....	as Imperial Oriental Guide.
"	JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	Imperial Treasurer.
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"	CYRUS W. EATON.....	Imperial Marshal.
"	EDWARD C. CULP.....	Imperial Captain of Guard.
"	CHARLES L. FIELD.....	Imperial Outer Guard.

MEMBERS.

Noble	HENRY C. AKIN.....	Omaha, Neb.
"	ETHELBERT F. ALLEN.....	Kansas City, Mo.
"	GUSTAVE ANDERSON.....	Omaha, Neb.

Noble	JOSEPH K. ASHBY.....	Fort Worth, Texas.
"	CHARLES F. BECK.....	Detroit, Mich.
"	THADDEUS B. BEECHER.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
"	THOMAS J. BISHOP.....	Greenbush Heights, N. Y.
"	JOHN W. BOYLE.....	Utica, N. Y.
"	WM. H. BRAZIER.....	Milwaukee, Wis.
"	SAM. BRIGGS.....	Cleveland, Ohio.
"	GEORGE L. BROWN.....	Buffalo, N. Y.
"	W. S. BROWN.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"	JOHN T. BRUSH.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
"	GEORGE H. BURNHAM.....	Providence, R. I.
"	LOU BURT.....	Detroit, Mich.
"	GEORGE F. BUSS.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.
"	DWIGHT BYINGTON.....	Leavenworth, Kan.
"	L. W. CAMPBELL.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	CHARLES CARY.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	EDWARD C. CULP.....	Salina, Kan.
"	CHARLES W. CUSHMAN.....	Buffalo, N. Y.
"	JACOB DE WITT.....	Salina, Kansas.
"	HARRISON DINGMAN.....	Washington, D. C.
"	JOSEPH L. DOBBIN.....	Minneapolis, Minn.
"	JOSEPH B. EAKINS.....	New York, N. Y.
"	CYRUS W. EATON.....	Cedar Rapids, Ia.
"	LOUIS P. ECKER.....	Richmond, Va.
"	DANFORD G. EGGLESTON.....	Watertown, N. Y.
"	S. R. ELLISON.....	New York, N. Y.
"	WILBUR F. FIDLAR.....	Davenport, Ia.
"	CHARLES L. FIELD.....	San Francisco, Cal.
"	WM. FINDER, JR.....	Troy, N. Y.
"	CHAS. H. FISK.....	Covington, Ky.
"	RUFUS E. FLEMING.....	Fargo, N. D.
"	EDWARD I. FOSTER.....	Cedar Rapids, Ia.
"	JAMES A. FOX.....	Cambridge, Mass.
"	FRANK T. GILBERT.....	Buffalo, N. Y.
"	GEORGE M. GOSS.....	Montpelier, Vt.
"	N. S. HARRIS.....	Cleveland, O.
"	ED. R. HARRIS.....	Detroit, Mich.
"	C. A. HIBBARD.....	Kansas City, Mo.
"	JOHN HOYT.....	Davenport, Ia.
"	IRA C. HUBBEL.....	Kansas City, Mo.
"	AMERICUS V. HOLMES.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"	THOMAS J. HUDSON.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"	HORACE W. HUBBARD.....	Cleveland, Ohio.
"	BEN. M. JACOBS.....	Birmingham, Ala.
"	JOHN M. JOHNSTON.....	Los Angeles, Cal.

Noble	JOHN B. JONES.....	Utica, N. Y.
"	EDWARD B. JORDAN.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
"	JAMES KERR, JR.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"	LAWRENCE M. KNEFFLY.....	Dallas, Texas.
"	FREDERICK LEIBRANDT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	FRANK LOCKE.....	Boston, Mass.
"	RICHARD LOCKEY.....	Helena, Mont.
"	GEORGE F. LODER.....	Rochester, N. Y.
"	FRANK M. LUCE.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	SAMUEL MCDOWELL.....	Salt Lake City, Utah.
"	ALBERT B. MCGAFFEY.....	Denver, Colo.
"	HENRY H. MCGAFFEY.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
"	JAMES MCGEE.....	New York, N. Y.
"	JOHN A. MAY.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	WILLIAM H. MAYO.....	St. Louis, Mo.
"	GEORGE R. METCALF.....	St. Paul, Minn.
"	WILLIAM B. MELISH.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.
"	OSCAR M. METCALF.....	St. Paul, Minn.
"	WILLIAM MICHIE.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.
"	GEORGE W. MILLAR.....	New York, N. Y.
"	CHARLES S. MORSE.....	Austin, Tex.
"	WILLIAM C. NICKUM.....	Baltimore, Md.
"	CLARK L. RICHARDS.....	Davenport, Ia.
"	JOHN S. ROGERS.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
"	BENJAMIN W. ROWELL.....	Boston, Mass.
"	WM. G. ROWLAND.....	Tacoma, Wash.
"	WILLIAM RYAN.....	Louisville, Ky.
"	HENRY SCHNEIDER.....	Troy, N. Y.
"	OSCAR SEITZ.....	Salina, Kansas.
"	FRANK SILVERMAN.....	Pine Bluff, Ark.
"	A. N. SLOAN.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
"	WILLIAM A. STILES.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	C. E. STUMP.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
"	JOSEPH W. SMITH.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
"	RICHARD SMITH.....	Omaha, Neb.
"	HENRY M. SPALDING.....	Denison, Texas.
"	H. E. STONE.....	Utica, N. Y.
"	HENRY STOWELL.....	Troy, N. Y.
"	WAYLAND TRASK.....	New York, N. Y.
"	EDWIN A. THRALL.....	New York, N. Y.
"	JAMES TYLER.....	Lincoln, Neb.
"	GEORGE H. WALKER.....	Washington, D. C.
"	THOMAS WATERMAN.....	Boston, Mass.
"	CURTIS H. WINSOR.....	Sioux Falls, S. D.
"	W. H. S. WRIGHT.....	St. Paul, Minn.
"	JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.

VISITORS.

A large number of the Nobles of the Order, who were visitors from various parts of the United States and Canada, were present during the session.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

The Imperial Recorder announced that the Proceedings of the Seventeenth Annual Session had been printed, and sent to all members of the Imperial Council, and to all Temples.

On motion, the reading of the last Annual Proceedings was dispensed with.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the Proceedings of the Seventeenth Annual Session, as printed, be, and they are hereby, approved and adopted.

An amendment was offered that the minutes of last year be amended by adding the words "On motion the report was received and adopted," after the report of the committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, on page 41.

The amendment was seconded and carried.

The minutes of the last meeting as amended were then approved.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Imperial Potentate, SAM. BRIGGS, submitted and delivered the following Address:

CLEVELAND, O., June 10, 1892.

"ES SELAMU ALEIKUM."

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL:

ILLUSTRIOUS ASSOCIATES:—Again I have the pleasure of greeting the Imperial body in annual congress assembled, with the salutation ordained by the Prophet (honored ever be his name), and in accordance with statutory regulation I present the report of the transactions of the Imperial officers as far as the same may have come to my knowledge, with such recommendations as seem to be proper for your consideration.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

Nothing can more satisfactorily illustrate the present condition and prosperity of the Order, than to advert to the following statistics, which will reflect the growth and progress of our institution, and its evident influence in the communities where it has been established.

From the inception of the Order in America to the close of the present year, the following table will illustrate the advance of the popularity of the Order:

	TEMPLES.	NOBLES.
1878.....	13.....	425
1879.....	—.....	13
1880.....	1.....	149
1881.....	—.....	125

1882.....	3.....	333
1883.....	5.....	423
1884.....	2.....	775
1885.....	8.....	1030
1886.....	5.....	1665
1887.....	11.....	2272
1888.....	2.....	3167
1889.....	3.....	3261
1890.....	3.....	3342
1891.....	5..... estimated	4309
to June 15, 1892.....	1..... estimated	1500

Making a present total of62 Temples and 22789 Nobles within the jurisdiction of this Imperial Council. A grand achievement for the few years elapsing since the introduction of the Order in the Western Hemisphere, and a noble organization whose light once kindled has never been extinguished at any oasis where a charter has been granted. An Order not requiring to shine by borrowed light, but giving abundant tangible evidence of its ability to live and prosper in the light of its own beneficent and appreciated influence.

JURISDICTIONAL LINES.

No substantial complaints have reached this office of any infringements of the territory of adjacent temples.

THE FRATERNAL DEAD.

While none of the active members of this Imperial Council have been summoned to the portals of the Unseen Temple during the past year, our altars have been draped in mourning for the demise of several prominent in the Ancient Arabic Order in America, as well as one, who, by reason of his position as a ruler in the East, had endeared himself to his people, and to those of other nations who had been brought in correspondence with him, by his many acts of courtesy and forbearance which would yield his memory additional glory by reason of the possession of these characteristics, which should be common to all claiming membership in this Oriental Order.

The list of those who have been called from among us is as follows:

DAVID KALAKAUA, 33°, King of the Hawaiian Islands, a noble of Islam Temple, San Francisco, Cal., died at San Francisco, January 20, 1891.

WILLIAM JERMYN FLORENCE, 32°, Grand Shareef of Mecca Temple, New York, and Representative of Temples in the East, died at Philadelphia, Pa., November 19, 1891.

TEWFIK MOHAMMED PASHA, Viceroy, Khedive of Egypt, Shareef Sultana of the Shrine at Cairo, Egypt, died at Cairo, Egypt, January 7, 1892.

EDWARD MITCHELL, 33°, R. W. Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge,

F. & A. M. of Ontario, a Noble of Al Koran Temple of Cleveland, Ohio, died at Buffalo, N. Y., February 22, 1892.

WILLIAM FRANKLYN BALDWIN, 32°, R. W. Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of F. & A. M. of Ohio, a Noble of Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio, died at Mount Vernon, Ohio, April 3, 1892.

CHARLES H. HARRIS, 32°, a Noble of Medinah Temple of Chicago, Ill., died at Chicago, May 4, 1892.

I have secured as far as possible sketches of the life and services of each of the above prominent members of our Nobility, and the same are appended to this address for the consideration and recommendations of the proper committee.

TRANSACTIONS OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

Under this special caption I note nothing of importance to mention, except the edict issued prohibiting the proposed display and parade of members of this Order at Denver, Colorado, on an occasion not calling for any observance or notice at our hands, as of a distinct and separate institution.

The details of this matter have been made apparent to you through the medium of the edict itself, hereto appended, which calls for no extended comment in this communication.

CLEVELAND, O., June 1, 1892.

TO THE OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL AND ALL
POTENTATES, OFFICERS AND NOBLES OF SUBORDINATE TEMPLES IN
NORTH AMERICA.

GREETING:

WHEREAS, It has been stated that a parade and other prominent public demonstrations by members of this Order are contemplated to be held at Denver, Colorado, during the week of the Triennial Conclave of Knights Templar at that city in the month of August next; and

WHEREAS, The Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine is not a Masonic institution, and has nothing in common with the Order of Knights Templar (except in so far that members of the latter may become initiates in the former), it is deemed manifestly improper that any display of the Ancient Arabic Order shall be made on Masonic occasions like the above mentioned;

THEREFORE, You are notified that any *display, parade or demonstration of members of this Order is hereby forbidden* during the Triennial week (so called) at Denver, Colorado, and each officer and member of this Imperial Council, as well as the Potentates and Officers of each subordinate Temple are especially charged to see that this order is observed.

The annual session of the Imperial Council for North America will be held MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 1892, in the city of OMAHA, NEBRASKA, when the usual gathering of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine will occur.

Attest:

FRANK M. LUCE,
Imperial Recorder.

SAM. BRIGGS,
Imperial Potentate.

AUTHORITIES GRANTED TO SPECIAL DEPUTIES.

During the past year I have deputed the Imperial authority, as follows:

June 11th, 1891, to Albert B. McGaffey, of El Jebel Temple, Denver, Colo., to institute El Kalah Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

September 11th, 1891, to George H. Greene, of Hella Temple, Dallas, Texas, to institute Ben Hur Temple at Austin, Texas.

December 22d, 1891, to Jas. H. Thompson, of Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill., to inspect the Yaarab Temple at Atlanta, Ga.

March 20th, 1892, to John W. Boyle, of Ziyara Temple, to inspect and report upon the condition of Alhambra Temple at Chattanooga, Tenn. All of the above named parties have satisfactorily performed the duties with which they were intrusted, and proper reports are hereto appended in relation to the inspection of the temples at Atlanta, Ga., and Chattanooga, Tenn.

COMMUNICATION OF THE ORDER.

On the 24th of June, 1892, for reasons which I deemed to be sufficient, I granted permission to the Illustrious Joseph S. Wright, Potentate of LuLu Temple, at Philadelphia, Pa., to communicate the order to Sir Knights Rooney, Martin, Hackett and Canttin, also to M. R. Muckle, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania.

For similar reasons I granted the same permission to Illustrious George H. Walker, Potentate of Almas Temple, at Washington, D. C., February 19th, 1892, to communicate the order to Sir Peter F. Walter, of Washington Commandery, K. T., of that city.

BY-LAWS.

I have received the By-Laws of the following Temples, viz:

Pyramid Temple, of Bridgeport, Conn., Algeria Temple, of Helena, Mont., El Kalah Temple, of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Hamasa Temple, of Meridian, Miss., all of which have been submitted to the committee on Jurisdiction and Laws, for their examination and report for the action of this Imperial Council.

CHARTERS.

In pursuance of the action of the last Imperial Council, charters have been issued to Zamora Temple, at Birmingham, Ala., El Katif Temple, of Spokane, Wash., and Media Temple, at Watertown, N. Y.

The charter of Ziyara Temple was restored on the 14th day of July, 1891, the officers of said Temple having complied with the conditions imposed by the Imperial Council at their last session.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS.

No memorandum or report is made to this Imperial body of the special dispensations granted for special purposes, such as receiving and acting upon

petitions at observances other than regular, or permission granted to hold special sessions, or sessions at other places than the proper location of the Temple.

DISPENSATION FOR TEMPLES

have been granted since the seventeenth annual session, as follows:

To F. T. Faulkner and others for Kora Temple, at Lewiston, Me., on the 14th of December, 1891.

To A. K. McMullen and others for Zem Zem Temple, at Erie, Pa., on the 22d of December, 1891.

To O. A. Harrison and others for Hamasa Temple, at Meridian, Miss., May 26th, 1892.

OTHER AUTHORITIES GRANTED.

In accordance with the vote of the Imperial Council at the seventeenth session at Niagara Falls, in June, 1891, I issued a commission to Noble Frank T. Haggerty, of Ismailia Temple of Buffalo, N. Y., as official stenographer to the Imperial Council.

CORRESPONDENCE.

On the 29th of June, 1891, I received a petition for a dispensation for Al Hassan Temple at San Antonio, Texas, from Monroe F. Ellis and others. This dispensation was not granted, as Hella Temple of Dallas, Texas, within whose jurisdiction the new Temple was to be established, did not consent.

On the 20th of March, 1892, I received a petition for dispensation from Noble John P. Steffner and others for the establishment of Bismillah Temple at Bristol, Va., within the jurisdiction of Acca Temple. The latter Temple not consenting, I did not issue the dispensation.

I also received a petition from Noble C. E. Rodenberg and others for the establishment of a Temple at Columbus, Miss. This petition was received about the same time that a similar request was made for a Temple at Meridian, a city in the same state, but upon noting the location and relative importance of the two cities (Columbus having a population of 4,559 and Meridian 10,624), I issued a dispensation to Meridian, it being the larger and more centrally located. I am pleased to say, that while the petitioners at Columbus were equally, if not more enthusiastic than the applicants at Meridian, those of the former place have expressed their satisfaction with the action of the Imperial Potentate, and have joined with those who have received the dispensation to make the Temple at the latter city both successful and a credit to the state.

Correspondence has also been had with parties desirous of establishing Temples of the Order at Deadwood, South Dakota, Reading, Pennsylvania, and Asheville, North Carolina.

ATLANTA, January 13, 1892.

ILL. SAM. BRIGGS, IMPERIAL POTENTATE,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Imperial Sir—Pursuant with your request accompanying special dispensation to inspect "Yaarab Temple," of Atlanta, Georgia, I herewith make the following report:

This regular meeting was held December 30th, 1891, which I attended and had an opportunity to witness their conferring of the Order, which was done in full form and with great credit to the officers exemplifying the same. I found upon examination of their records that they were correct and complete.

The Order was conferred upon fourteen novitiates. The Asylum of Coeur De Lion Commandery is used by the Temple for their observances. Their wardrobe and paraphernalia are very complete and very elaborate, nothing being wanting.

I consider this temple an honor to the Nobility of the Mystic Shrine, and feel confident that their future work will excel that of the past, which has been second to none in the country.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAS. H. THOMPSON,
Special Deputy.

OASIS OF UTICA, N. Y., June 4, 1892.

ILL. SAM. BRIGGS,
Imperial Potentate, A. A. O. N. M. S.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Imperial Sir—In compliance with the instructions contained in your letter of March 8th, 1892, whereby you honored me with the appointment of Special Deputy of the Imperial Council to be present at a session of Alhambra Temple, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, on March 24th, 1892, I have the honor to report:

In accordance with your authorization the pilgrimage was made from this Oasis about March 21st, and was pursued with diligence and vigor until the Oasis of Cleveland was reached. There, under the protecting dome of Al Koran, rest and refreshments were found. In due time the journey was renewed and the Oasis of Cincinnati was reached as the early morning sun was struggling to brighten its dingy walls, and penetrate the darkness of its overhanging clouds of smoke. Illustrious Noble William B. Melish, one of my associates upon the ritual committee was found, and after a conference of some hours upon the subject and object of the journey I pursued a southerly course until late at night when the Oasis of Chattanooga was entered.

The next day Alhambra Temple held its session, presided over by its distinguished Potentate, Illustrious G. C. Connor. A large number of Nobles, comprising many of the best men of the State, had assembled from

Alhambra's jurisdiction, and in due form the work of exemplifying the Order was commenced.

It is perhaps unnecessary to remind you that Illustrious Noble Connor was also a member of the new ritual committee, and that many of the new features of the proposed new ritual were, with some modifications, contributed by him.

Twenty-four novices were introduced and initiated in due form. They were evidently pleased and satisfied with their lot, even while traversing the hot sands.

Several features of the work are worthy of special notice. First, at the opening of the Temple the grand entree of officers and the cohorts of Medina, brilliantly uniformed and marching and manœuvring upon the floor of the Temple with the precision of veterans. Also the inquisition scene, and the vigorous tests applied to the novices were all calculated to increase respect for the Order, and created a very agreeable impression.

The ritual as it is, with the variations alluded to, was worked in a very pleasing manner, and the degrees thus conferred by the Illustrious Potentate and his able corps of officers and assistants were impressive and grand. All the important and constitutional features of the ritual were carefully observed and very artistically worked.

Of course, like almost every other Temple that I have ever visited, there were certain variations, certain additions, certain omissions; but none of them of a character upon which any complaint or even unfavorable criticism could be passed. On the contrary whatever changes were made were in my judgment improvements.

I have never sat in any two Temples where the work was performed in precisely the same manner. I have seen the work exemplified by some of the so-called leading Temples within the Imperial jurisdiction, and the greater part of the time I was utterly unable to recognize the present ritual, or any other ritual.

It was a real ritual which was worked on the 24th of March when I visited Alhambra Temple, and I recognized it very plainly as the ritual of the Shrine now being generally worked under constitutional authority. You will, of course, appreciate the accuracy of what I saw when I state it is utterly impossible to detail the numerous little things which can be added or omitted in the artistic working of any ritual, and which almost invariably, when the ritualistic work is performed by a corps of competent men, add materially to the pleasure and beauty of the degrees.

On the following evening it had been arranged that a reception should be tendered the ladies. This was a highly successful affair. In all about two hundred "fair women and brave men" were seated around the banquet tables, which were laden with all the substantial, delicacies and sweets that hearts could wish. It was indeed a "feast of reason and a flow of soul."

On both occasions I was fittingly and appropriately received as the representative of the Imperial body. Without particularizing further suffice it

to say that the meeting was a decided success in every particular. I do not hesitate to say that from this session and inspection of Alhambra Temple much good will result, and the Order of the Shrine will be greatly benefited in Tennessee.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me, I remain,

Yours in the Faith,

JOHN W. BOYLE,

Special Deputy.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

On the 13th of April last I had the pleasure of instituting Zem Zem Temple at Erie, Pa., and was accompanied and assisted on the occasion by the officers and one hundred and fifty members of Al Koran Temple of Cleveland, Ohio. The Official Divan and about one hundred members of Syria Temple of Pittsburgh, Pa., were present, as also were the officers and about eighty members of Ismailia Temple of Buffalo, N. Y. The cohorts of the various Temples, under the command of Illustrious Chief Rabban, Mosea G. Carrel, of Al Koran Temple, Ill.; Chas. W. Cushman, Potentate of Ismailis Temple, and Ill.; Thos. J. Hudson, Potentate of Syria Temple, formed in line in front of the Reed House at Erie, and headed by Kohler's Band, marched to Gabel's Hall where everything was in readiness to institute the new Temple. The initial work was performed by the officers of the visiting Temples, the ceremonies of the first, second and third sections being exemplified by Syria, Ismailia and Al Koran Temples respectively.

After the close of the ceremonies the Temple was placed in charge of Dr. A. K. McMullen as Illustrious Potentate, with a full corps of officials.

The assembled Nobles from abroad were then marshalled under the direction of the officers and members of Zem Zem Temple, who, with the recent addition of fifty-three postulants, proceeded to Mannerchor Hall, where an elaborate banquet had been spread. Music and speech-making alternately carried the festive entertainment well into the small hours of the night, and it was agreed that the occasion was the most enjoyable event in the history of the Order in this portion of the jurisdiction, and it was certainly the most enthusiastic institution of a Temple that I have ever attended, excepting perhaps, the ovation extended at the establishment of Acca Temple at Richmond, Va., some years since.

On the 11th of May last I undertook an extended official trip among some of the Temples located in the central and eastern portion of the jurisdiction. During this time I visited Syrian Temple at Cincinnati, O., Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tenn., Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Ga., Zamora Temple, Birmingham, Ala., Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Ind., Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill., Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa., Lulu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa., and Mecca Temple at New York. The details of these visits are as follows:

The jurisdiction of Syrian Temple at Cincinnati, Ohio, comprises the

southern forty-four counties of Ohio. It has a membership equal, if not exceeding, its sister Temple occupying the northern jurisdiction of the state, and has a splendid corps of officials and a most enthusiastic membership, who vie with each other in making the Order a local institution whose influence is agreeably acknowledged, and in the proper direction. This certainly is a deserved compliment to Illustrious Wm. B. Melish, who has been annually elected to the position of Potentate ever since the establishment of the body.

At Chattanooga, Tenn., I had the pleasure of visiting Illustrious Geo. C. Connor, Potentate of the Temple located at that city, occupying the jurisdiction of eastern Tennessee. I had also the pleasure of associating on this same occasion with most of its officers and a number of its members, among them Nobles W. L. Shumate and Archibald N. Sloan. While the number of members in this Temple is not large (something less than one hundred), they possess all the attributes of a true nobility, and are united in the propagation of the principles of Arabic hospitality.

At Atlanta, Ga., I visited the Potentate of Yaarab Temple, Illustrious Henry C. Stockdell, and a number of the members of the Temple there located. On this occasion a reception was improvised at the Temple hall where quite a number of the associate members of the local body were greeted, as well as a large number of Nobles sojourning at Atlanta, on the occasion of the convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

The costumes, paraphernalia, and appliances for conferring the Order, were thoroughly inspected and found most complete and satisfactory.

The Temple at present numbers but eighty-five members, and they have made several notable pilgrimages to various portions of their jurisdiction, which comprises the entire state, and have secured for themselves both repute and glory. While the Temples generally established in what are known as the southern states are not large, yet the membership is of a class which will insure the perpetuity of the institution.

At Birmingham, Ala., I visited Zamora Temple, which comprises but forty-nine members, under the leadership and direction of Illustrious Charles Wheelock, Potentate, and Illustrious Ben. M. Jacobs, the Recorder. I met on this occasion but a third of the membership, all of whom expressed their thorough appreciation of the Order, its objects and attributes, and stated in substance that the establishment of the Order in their midst had done wonders in awakening enthusiasm not only in themselves, but also in other bodies, membership in which is a prerequisite to fellowship in the Mystic Shrine.

On my return I visited the city of Indianapolis, at which Oasis is established Murat Temple, which was responsible for the glorious reception on the occasion of the session of the Imperial Council at that city in the year 1887. I was greeted by the Potentate, Illustrious John T. Brush, and the Illustrious Nobles Joseph W. Smith and Henry H. McGaffey; escorted to the hall which they occupy for the purposes of the Order, and was made

familiar with the facilities which they had adopted for the purposes of the ritualistic ceremonies. While this Temple does not hold monthly ceremonial observances, as is customary in some portions of the jurisdiction of this Imperial Council, such gatherings are often enough to hold the interest of the membership, and the announcement of an observance at "Murat" is sufficient to awaken the tribes and summon them to as enthusiastic an occasion as is held on any portion of the western hemisphere.

At the Oasis of Chicago I had the pleasure for the first time of visiting the office of the Imperial Recorder, Illustrious Noble Frank M. Luce, and am pleased to say that all matters intrusted to his care, as far as my observation went, are thoroughly and systematically attended to. The archives are admirably arranged for reference, the office is a marvel of neatness, and is open and accessible at all times during business hours for those having intercourse with this officer of the Imperial Council.

Medinah Temple is presided over by Illustrious Wm. A. Stiles, also a member of this Imperial Council, and under his meritorious efforts the influence of Medinah Temple has extended all over the State of Illinois. The number of members now borne upon the roster is nearly 1800, and is still on the increase. Illustrious Noble Luce is the Recorder of Medinah Temple, and to the efforts of these two officers, ably assisted by the Divan of Medinah Temple, is attributed its present prominence and prosperity. The Temple labors under some disadvantages by reason of locality and surroundings, but an effort is being made to create a fund whereby Medinah Temple will soon possess a home entirely its own.

At Pittsburgh, Pa., I called upon Illustrious Thomas J. Hudson, the Nestor of the Mystic Shrine for Western Pennsylvania, the Chief Rabban of this Imperial Council, and also the Potentate for many years of the flourishing Temple established at that Oasis. Upon this occasion I had the pleasure of a general conversation with Nobles Hudson, Wigley, Holmes, Eichbaum, Kingsley, Kerr, Brown and many others. This interview was quiet gratifying, as all of these Nobles have had much experience in the management of the Temple of which they are honored members, and announce their firm belief that the Order is destined to still press forward in the path of usefulness and firmly engraft itself on the future as a permanent social institution.

At Philadelphia I had the agreeable satisfaction of officially inspecting the most perfect and thoroughly constructed Temple for the exemplification of the Order existing in the United States.

Lulu Temple, under the direction of Illustrious Potentate Joseph S. Wright, the Treasurer of this Imperial Council, has purchased a building formerly used for church purpose, and one not knowing its former uses would never suspect but what it was erected and intended specially for the purposes of the Shrine. No amount of pen description could furnish any adequate idea of the thorough fitness of the building and its appliances for the purposes for which it has been adapted. Not only is the building eligibly and centrally located, but is situated so as to guarantee perfect immunity from interference or annoyance from outside parties.

The Trustees have accumulated other property immediately adjoining the present building, by means of which they propose to enlarge and beautify their already perfect home.

I cannot but commend the systematic manner in which Lulu Temple is managed. A Board of Trustees, presided over by the Potentate, has entire charge of the property, and also of all matters connected with the welfare of the Institution. The entire membership, which now comprises nearly 1800 Nobles, relegate the entire management of its affairs to this Board.

The office of the Imperial Treasurer, while not making such demands upon the time of that Officer as is demanded of the Imperial Recorder, is managed with that systematic promptness and precision which has always characterized the services of this official and which is specially noteworthy and satisfactory.

At the home of the oldest Temple in the United States, at the Oasis of New York, I had the pleasure of visiting the building which has been purchased and jointly occupied for the purpose of Mecca Temple and the Scottish Rite, corner of Madison Ave. and 29th Street. In company with the Illustrious Potentate Augustus W. Peters and Nobles George W. Millar, Saram R. Ellison, Joseph B. Eakins and Charles T. McClenachan, I visited the buildings and was very much impressed with the facilities which have been provided for the exemplification of the Order, and for the accommodation of the very large membership of this, the parent Temple of the Western Hemisphere.

This Temple does not have the many advantages of situation which are possessed by Lulu Temple—they being joint tenants with another body, but the arrangements of the auditorium and the facilities for exemplifying the work are certainly much to be preferred above those which are from necessity obliged to be utilized in other sections of the country.

Throughout the course of all these visits I had an excellent opportunity of learning the sentiments of the officers and members of each of the Temples on many subjects of interest to the Imperial Body; each individual advocated united efforts to promote the future existence of the institution, and all were unanimous in urging the maintenance of the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine as absolutely a separate institution, not dependent directly upon any other body for its existence, but simply with an ambition to keep the even tenor of its way, disseminating the advantages and benefits of a social life and its attendant pleasures.

As a conclusion to the most pleasurable chapter of personal experiences I am at a loss to resolve myself as to wherein consists the most advantage to the individual Noble—whether a membership is to be preferred in a Temple whose members almost equal a “brigade,” and whose entertainments and observances are princely in magnificence, or whether it be not full as desirable to be a recognized unit in a smaller tent where “each for all, and all for one” would be a maxim possible for attainment.

The problem is one for the future to solve; as for myself, while formerly

conservative in the matter of establishing Temples, I have now concluded that more Temples with a limited membership in each, would be more conducive to the well-being and future existence of the Order.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The letters and other communications to be received through the hands of Illustrious John Worthington, our correspondent of past years and Representative of Temples in the East, have not yet reached my hands, and are possibly in the hands of the Chairman of the Committee to be forthcoming when collated for publication in the Annual Report.

EXPENSES OF THE IMPERIAL OFFICE.

For the term ending August 1st, 1892, the expenses of this office have been as follows:

Stationery, postage, express charges and other contingencies of the office.....	\$421 80
Traveling expenses for self and special deputies.....	536 81
Total.....	\$958 61

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS..

There seems to be no further suggestions to make on these subjects in addition to those which have been presented to previous sessions of this Imperial Body.

The revenues for the past year have been quite encouraging, and indicate a season of much activity among the subordinate Temples.

The estimated amount from diploma fees alone—based on the number passing through this office—reaches over *twelve thousand* (\$12,000) *dollars*, or an increase of more than *two thousand* (\$2,000) *dollars* above the *entire revenues* of the Imperial Council for the year ending June, 1891.

A summary of the revenues for the past six years gives the following results:

1886-87.....	\$ 6,694 00
1887-88.....	9,478 00
1888-89.....	8,039 00
1889-90.....	9,697 00
1890-91.....	9,796 00
1891-92.....	15,016 00
Total revenues for six years.....	\$58,720 00
To which add balance from 1885-86.....	1,733 13
Total moneys in treasury 1886-92.....	\$60,453 13

The disbursements for actual expenses are for the same period classified as below:

Printing, publications, stationery, diplomas, etc.	\$10,161 57
Imperial Recorder, salary and expenses, rent, engrossing diplomas, furniture, etc.	8,976 37
Expenses of Imperial Potentate and deputies.	7,334 03
Mileage and <i>per diem</i> of representatives.	13,069 13
Other minor expenses.	4,340 61
Total.	\$43,881 71

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

I do not recall any incident which, in the outcome, should be specially classified under this head, and we may truly congratulate ourselves that not only does "peace" reign "within our halls," and "prosperity within our palaces," but "not a wave of trouble rolls across *our* peaceful breast."

It is found that nearly all of the troubles between subordinate Temples, and within the Temples, are caused by an indifference to the status of applicants for the Order, and in many instances by a vaulting ambition "on the part of the aspirants," leading them to forget certain important matters which would jeopardize their admission, and which matters, when brought to light later, cause very embarrassing situations as between Temples and members.

These instances have, during the past year, been harmonized among the Temples without appeal to higher authority.

JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

The call for the present session contains about all the items of changes in the law which should be presented to the consideration of the Imperial Council, unless the residence of applicants should be more thoroughly defined.

This latter subject has, if I am not mistaken, been presented to this body by resolution at one or more sessions, but I do not see that its adoption in any form has been engrafted upon our laws.

THE LIBRARY AT CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

Again I would call the attention of this Imperial body to the interest manifested by the custodians of this depository, in the history and development not only of this Order, but in the muniments and collections of kindred associations, all of which cannot but be of advantage to the present and succeeding generations.

As libraries of this character cannot be supported by individual annual members, they must depend for their maintenance largely upon those societies whose history and fame they perpetuate; therefore, as our Illustrious

Associate Noble Theodore S. Parvin and his coadjutors have erected in the Cedar Rapids Library a special department dedicated to the Order, I would recommend that a liberal donation from the treasury of this body be forwarded to the proper party for general library purposes.

DIPLOMAS.

My attention has been directed within the past few months to abuses of privileges which have been made possible by the holders of the present form of traveling certificate.

In order to prevent such abuse, it has been suggested that the right to visit another Temple be denied to any Noble who cannot produce, with his certificate, a receipt for annual dues approximating the date of his visit, or else that his diploma bears the *visa* of the Recorder of his Temple bearing date within six (6) months of the time when presented for visiting purposes.

It has also been proposed that a small visiting card be substituted for the present "certificate"—one bound in a tuck, folding once, and which could be readily carried in a pocket-book.

PUBLICATIONS.

There have been no additions to our literature during the past year, made by authority of this Imperial body—with the exception of the revised Ritual which has already been mentioned in this address, and with which publication you are doubtless more or less familiar.

A peculiar interest has been manifested in our occidental adaptation of the mysteries of the Orient, by a publication entitled "*Kawkab America*" (issued simultaneously at Cairo, Egypt, and New York, in both Arabic and English), which has editorially alluded to the wonderful growth and prosperity of our Institution, and this journal, designed to foster a more intimate relation between the Great Republic and the nations of the East, hopes to be the medium whereby an exchange of sentiments may more frequently take place between the Temples in America and those of the Eastern World.

Many have sought an apology for the existence of our Order so far from its ancestral home, and much has been written concerning the peculiar tenets and tendencies of the "*Ancient Arabic Order*," but among the many literary offerings presented, none can more thoroughly justify our existence and marvelous growth than the essay of Noble Isaac P. Noyes, of Almas Temple, which has been read and admired in a limited circle. I have taken the liberty of incorporating it in this address, and it may be profitably read by all into whose hands it may chance to come.

"Within a few years a new and popular Order has rapidly come to the front. It is said that Americans delight in such Orders; and by some people it is even cast upon us as a sort of reproach, and regarded as a weakness of the enlightened American mind, that it should take special interest in secret and mysterious organizations, especially of this kind. And it is charged that it is very inconsistent in a free and cosmopolitan race, in this age of the world, to foster such a spirit.

Be that as it may. To the outside world the accusation may apparently be just, but we who are inside, and especially such as have studied the subject from its esoteric point of view, know that there is no foundation for such charges. Even though there may be some element of weakness therein, it is more than overbalanced by the good that such Orders have done in the world. And the very fact of the good that they have done, and are constantly doing, is more than anything else the cause of the strong opposition to them. And while the enemies of such Orders cannot attack them openly, they think to prejudice the public mind against them by the indirect attack of ridicule and charge of inconsistency. In the first place, such Orders could not thrive as they do here in America in any other land, and the predecessors of such organizations in the dark ages of the past, if they flourished at all, were obliged to maintain their organization by the utmost secrecy. By a certain powerful combination we are charged with turning back the wheels of time, and odium is cast upon us, or better, attempted, for maintaining secret organizations in harmony with the dark ages of the past, when our organization, so far as the secret part is concerned, is as nothing beside that of our greatest enemy—an enemy who holds its meetings so secret that nothing is known of them by the public at large, while our Lodges, Sanctuaries, Asylums and Shrines are publicly located and our places of meeting as well known as any of the churches or theatres of the world. Such facts as these, it would seem, should have weight with the thinking classes. We have the right to sit with closed doors as much so as the family is entitled to protection from the public. But our places of meeting are well known, and the time and place of meetings are well advertised in the public print. So it does not become a body of men, who meet, as no one but themselves know when and where—it does not become them to use such arguments against Masons, Odd-Fellows, “Shriners,” and the multitude of other associations of American citizens who see fit to meet with closed doors, and to admit none but good citizens who are interested in the work they have on hand—work that has had its influence for good upon the autonomy of our free and enlightened government. A fair representation of the best men in the land are and have been members of these Bodies, and were anything there transacted that would be prejudicial to good citizenship it is safe to say that there is moral courage enough in them to expose it; to renounce and denounce any Bodies that are in any manner sworn to support anything demoralizing to the best interests of humanity.

But why so many Orders, and why this latter organization known as the “Shrine?” Simply because there are many sides to humanity. A thoughtful man cannot travel far in life before he discovers that his fellow-men are not all alike. Indeed, the higher the civilization the more the individual development. We meet many men with whom we coincide in part, and only in part, with whom we can agree in many points, but on other points we are diametrically opposed. With one man we agree in politics, with another in theology; another is enthusiastic in some social reform with which we are

identified, while another good man takes no interest in what appears, to us, to be one of the vital questions of the day. We see clubs formed for this purpose and for that—political, financial, social, artistic, literary, and even for dietary reform. It is like the perfection of the details of a machine. In olden times one individual made the whole of a machine or piece of furniture. Now, the perfected machine requires many men to work solely on each detail. So with society. It is ever advancing, and a new stimulus is given to some detail. The detail, or perchance part, is not new in itself, but society is too much preoccupied to attend to the whole. The department must need have its bureaus, and the new bureaus must spring into existence as fast as there is a demand for perfecting and developing some detail for the general good of the whole. But while we encourage the development of these lines that are thrust out here and there, we do not neglect the older Body. He is a poor "Shriner" who neglects even his Blue Lodge, to say nothing of his Chapter, Asylum or Consistory. It is patent to the close observer that the real interests of one Body is oftentimes furthered on the floor of the other quite as much as at its own private meetings. The "Shrine" is common meeting ground for the brethren of the various Templar and Scottish Rite organizations. Brethren are here brought together who otherwise would never meet each other, and thereby the social ties of brotherhood, of gentlemen united for the advancement and exercise of those bureaus of the human mind that broaden and elevate, and make more cosmopolitan the minds of men, are advanced and perfected. As is well known, there is a liveliness, and a spirit of mirthfulness and jollity in the "Shrine" that is peculiar to itself. We well know that there are prim and sedate men who condemn all mirthfulness and levity. Yet, if these people would give one moment of thought to the subject, they would see that mirthfulness is one of the potent elements of the advanced civilization of the world. There is no mirthfulness in the savage tribes, to speak of. The semi-barbarous tribes of the East have little inclination, and therefore little time, for the levity which we term mirthfulness. The condition of Russia to-day is a good illustration. There may be individual Russians, of the higher class, who can appreciate the old couplet, "A little nonsense, now and then, is relished by the wisest men," or the old maxim of "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy;" but the Russian mind, as a whole, is morose and little inclined to the cultivation of the mirthful element in their composition. The mirthful with them lies latent.

Perhaps some of our old world stock may cultivate this faculty too much, and suffer for their want of balance. But we, the great Yankee nation, unite in our body politic the good points of all. We may also inherit some bad points. We do not, with all our conceit, or supposed conceit, claim to be perfect, but we are striving with more zeal than ever before known to the world after "perfection;" and we want perfection of the whole man. But it may be asked, what as to the Arabs from whom our Order is named? I do not know as it is claimed that the effervescent spirit

of the Order, as developed in America, is so prominent in the country from which the Order is derived. The greater development of that feature may be, and undoubtedly is, wholly American. The grand frame-work of the Order admits of it, and the American mind, while it builded upon grand foundations, and neglected not the more solid principles and philosophy thereof, it saw the peculiar adaptability of the Order for helping the civilization of the human race, through its organ or department of "mirthfulness," and seized upon it as a most convenient channel whereby to further its laudable aims. So, with a solid philosophy for its foundations and superstructure as a whole, in its outward decorations, in the highly wrought details, which delight the eye, it saw fit to incorporate the "Griffin," the "Gargoil," and the grotesque figures that amuse and enliven the whole. The vulgar crowd, perhaps, may see only these lighter ornaments that so readily take the eye, but the more sober and thoughtful see the background on which they are built. Time may even destroy or change these surface decorations, but the superstructure remains firm, and when it comes to an inspection of the work of the Order, this really is what we are proud of, though we are also proud of that brilliant ornamentation that makes the whole resplendent to the eyes of the Nobles who gather about its courts as the earnest and true followers of Mohammed gathered about their holy court at Mecca.

As Bodies become old and well established, like old and prosperous people, they are apt to become too sedate and prim. So in many of the older Bodies it is not uncommon to see about them an unnatural dignity which amounts to stiffness and cold rigidity that repels rather than attracts. For this reason they seldom have a full house. I have herein referred to the development of new points or bureaus in human nature. It would now seem a good suggestion for all those who delight in prim formality, with all its accompaniments, the claw-hammer coat, etc., to form a bureau, or perhaps a bandbox, by themselves, where they could have things and a place that would approximate the ideal Chinese court. A genuine "Shriner" would like nothing better—to look at. That is, if it could be seen to advantage, without being a part thereof. If a curtain could be drawn and a peep into such an assembly be possible, it would certainly be as good a treat to the "Shriner" as any one detail of their get-up. The lines of life are severe enough every day, and every hour of the day, without extending them into an evening's entertainment. When we meet at the Lodge or "Shrine" we want to meet as social and mirthful beings, and not as Egyptian mummies. Etiquette is well enough in due parts and proportions, but the human mind wants relief from the cares and vexations of the day. There is a good broad field lying between the lines of etiquette on the one side and levity on the other, and the "Shrine" seems to have discovered it. With some there may be a tendency towards too much levity, but I think the good sense of the Order is too well balanced to allow any perversion of the work, or any innovations that will com-

promise the good sense of the "Shrine." In the ancient world, schools of philosophy arose after this order, and many a good thought and deed were wrought by them. Many of the characters of Shakespeare are after this order also; indeed, his plays are replete with the mirthful and joyous element. So the teachings of the "Shrine," as a whole, are full of sound philosophy; a philosophy that reaches out to the whole world. What is founded on such sound philosophy cannot be wrong. A perversion of it might be, and would be; and perchance some "ring" might combine to overthrow it and destroy its influence, by perversion, as other good things have been broken up and destroyed, but the organization of the "Shrine" is now so well founded, and in addition to the mere social features, so much real dignity pervades the whole, from the present standpoint at least, it looks as though it had come to stay, and we trust that it will, for certainly it fills a department in the cabinet of secret organizations long desired and yearned for. So, hail to the Shrine! May it ride on in power, in glory, and usefulness, and prove a refreshing oasis as we wander over the weary deserts of life. May all the Shriners guard it with jealous care, and permit none to join its caravan or to become influential in its courts who would through thoughtlessness or viciousness pervert its beautiful work, and thereby bring it into contempt. The ancient Greek Anacreon was evidently in spirit a typical Shriner, for he has left us some lines that are most appropriate to the brethren of to-day :

" O, come, my lad, fill high the bowl,
With the blood of the purple grape—
Scatter the roses o'er my brow,
And let sweet strains of music flow
In soft enchantment o'er my soul.
Come, pass the sparkling wine around—
Let mirth and jollity abound—
Loud let us raise our laugh and song,
And still our revelling prolong.
For dear unto the heart
Is this meeting and this genial glow,
The fervent grasp of friendly hand,
The affection true that warms our band,
Than any joy on earth we know.
And as the hours fly swiftly by
When soon must end life's little day,
When tyrant death at last shall come
To lead us to our narrow home,
When men no more in sparkling wine
Can sacrifice at Bacchus' shrine.
Then let us live while yet we may,
Let pleasure's voice beguile the day! "

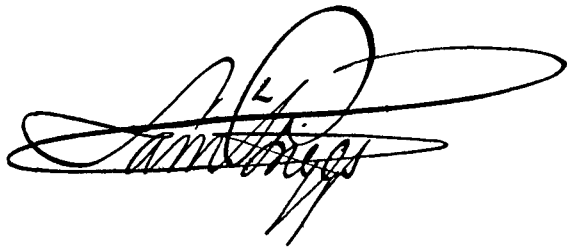
CONCLUSION.

And now I have reached the end of my sixth annual address to this Imperial Council, and I trust that as two full days have been wisely dedicated for our purposes, that the time will be earnestly devoted to thorough

and judicious legislation, and let us profit by the errors which have previously been made by undue haste at these sessions, to render our work on this occasion both permanent and enduring.

" Either our history shall with full mouth
Speak freely of our acts, or else our grave,
Like Turkish mute shall have a tongueless mouth,
Not worshipped by a waxen epitaph."

Yours in the faith,



Imperial Potentate.

APPENDIX.

DAVID KALAKAUA, 33°, KING OF THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS, A NOBLE OF ISLAM
TEMPLE, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

David Kalakaua, King of the Hawaiian Islands, died at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Cal., at 2:30 o'clock, on Tuesday, January 20th, 1891. His Majesty was a member of La Loge l'Océanique, F. and A. M., of Honolulu, under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Grand Council, Thirty-third degree of France; a companion of the Royal Arch Chapter of the Grand Council of the United States; an honorary member of the Thirty-third degree Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States; a Knight Templar and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, which latter grade was conferred on him in full form on Wednesday evening, January 14th, and which was the last social institution he visited during his lifetime.

He was born at Honolulu, on the island of Oahu, November 16, 1836, but was not a member of the royal family. He was the eldest son of Hon. C. Kapaakea, a native chief, who, it is erroneously supposed, was connected by blood with the Kamehamehas, who were the reigning family.

In 1862 Kalakaua was married to an Hawaiian lady, Kapiolani, who was born December 31, 1834, and who still survives her royal husband. She is well known in this city, having spent some time here in 1887, while on her way to England to take part in the Queen's jubilee. Her father was one of the earliest of the island converts to Christianity.

Kalakaua was elected King on the 12th of February, 1874, by the Legislature, and immediately ascended the throne contrary to the wishes of the people. The Legislature had been elected in favor of Queen Emma, but after taking their seats, they were induced, through the meddling policy of England, to give their votes to Kalakaua. This they did, and an immediate revolt was inaugurated and the life of Kalakaua threatened. In the midst of the trouble a file of marines was landed from an English vessel, and proceeded on the double-quick to Queen Emma's palace. The natives thinking it the intention to place Emma on the throne were thrown off their guard, and quickly overpowered. Queen Emma died in 1885.

In September, 1874, the American Government sent an invitation to his Majesty to visit the United States, and the United States steamship *Genicia*, Captain Hopkins, was placed at his disposal. The object of the visit was to negotiate the reciprocity treaty between Hawaii and the United States. He sailed from Honolulu November 17, 1874, and arrived in San Francisco on the 29th of the same month, being the first reigning King to become a guest of the American republic. His mission was successfully accomplished and he returned home in 1875, after a three months' tour of the various points of interest. In 1880 he made a tour of the world.

With becoming ceremonies the funeral services of the late King Kalakana were conducted at Trinity Episcopal Church. For the first time in the history of the United States a King had died on the soil of the great American republic, and it was considered fitting that the body should be given every honor commensurate with the importance of the occasion.

Representatives of the Federal, State and Municipal Governments vied with each other in making the scene one long to be remembered by those who witnessed it, while the Knights Templar, of which the King was a conspicuous member, paid their last tribute of respect to his memory.

It is safe to say, in fact, that no funeral in San Francisco ever attracted more universal attention or was conducted with more pomp and splendor. Everything contributed to add to the public interest, and the people of Hawaii may well feel proud of the splendid tribute paid to their dead monarch.

A LARGE GATHERING.

Long before the hour announced for the holding of the services people gathered by thousands, until the street in front of the church was jammed for blocks with a struggling, jostling, swaying mass of humanity, all eager to witness the singular spectacle presented by the burial of a King.

So great became the press that the police were compelled to maintain at least a show of order, and it was with the greatest difficulty that the steps leading to the church were kept clear in order to allow a passageway for those who desired to enter. By dint of much exertion, however, this was effected, and those fortunate enough to be possessed of tickets of admission to the interior of the church succeeded in making their way in, slowly at first, but in ever increasing numbers, until the large auditorium was completely packed.

SIMPLE DECORATIONS.

Inside the church but little attempt at decoration had been made, the chancel alone having been beautified for the occasion. The mellow light that stole in through the stained glass windows lighted up the interior but dimly, and revealed a scene that was at once impressive and solemn in its simplicity. Back of the bier, which stood in the center of the chancel, two large silken flags, the one of the United States and the other the royal banner of Hawaii, hung side by side in graceful folds, while in front of the elevated platform a row of tropical plants in boxes extended from side to side, the dark green of their glossy leaves standing out in bold relief against the red, white and blue background. Palms and ferns were profusely distributed about the platform, and at the head of the bier, elevated so as to be plainly within the view of all, was a huge crown of white and purple chrysanthemums, emblems of purity and royalty.

SENT BY THE NOBLES.

Conspicuous, however, in all the array of plants and flowers was a large floral piece of peculiar beauty, sent by the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. It

represented a large panel, resting upon a green easel, and bearing in letters of violets, upon a field of white tuberoses, the word "Islam," while below, worked also in violets, were the scimeter and crescent, symbols of the Order.

A few minutes after 1 o'clock, Golden Gate Commandery, Knights Templar, under command of Colonel Edwards, entered in a body, and in column of twos, passed down the center aisle. At a signal they took their seats to the right, and fifty swords rung upon the floor of the church as they settled into their places. As a token of mourning they held their white-plumed hats upon their right shoulder.

The crowd now rapidly increased in numbers, and at 1:30 the huge bell in the tower overhead tolled its announcement that the hour for the services had arrived. Scarcely had the sound died away when the organ pealed forth the strains of Beethoven's funeral march, and the procession entered the church with the royal casket in its midst borne by six colored men, and headed by the various Episcopal clergymen of the city in their white surplices. As a guard of honor six stalwart artillerymen from the regular army followed close upon the clergymen, and behind the casket walked Colonel Baker, late aide-de-camp to the King, and Consul-General McKinley. General John Gibbon and Major-General William H. Dimond, each accompanied by their respective staffs in full uniform, passed to their seats, as did also the staff of Governor Markham and the numerous train of honorary pallbearers.

When all were seated the choir sang the burial psalm, followed by the well-known hymn, "Jerusalem the Golden."

Rev. E. B. Spaulding, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, then advanced to the front of the platform and read that portion of the burial service from the twentieth chapter of First Corinthians, beginning with the words: "Now is Christ risen from the dead."

DR. REED'S ADDRESS.

At the conclusion of the reading the choir sang "Asleep in Jesus," and Rev. J. Sanders Reed arose to pronounce the funeral sermon.

In substance he said: "Death is not a new thing. It is older than the history of man. Most of us have been taught to believe that death came as the result of Adam's sin, but philosophy to-day teaches us a different story. We know now that in the remote ages of antiquity, when man was not yet born, grim monsters crushed and killed each other on the icy plains of the primitive world. Death, in other words, is merely a condition of existence, and but for it the earth would long since have become uninhabitable.

"Death does not break the thread of existence. In our dreams we see our friends and hear them talk. In death it is the same. Not even the body is destroyed. In proof of this we realize that before us now lies the body of an honored King. Through the law of development he will undergo a change, and may yet bloom in the flowers of his island home.

"This King made a name for honor. By slow degrees he developed

this character, and by a process of evolution will continue to develop it in the world to come. Each of us will be what we are in life, but much more so. Those who strive to improve their opportunities will continue the improvement, while those who neglect them will grow worse.

HIS WORK WAS DONE.

"This dear King made of himself a certain thing, and it is doubtful if a longer life on earth would have tended to larger spiritual development. Garfield and Lincoln were taken up, as we thought, before their time, but we can now believe that their work was done and other men were needed to carry on what they had begun. And so it may be with this King.

"And now, officers of the fleet, on behalf of the people not only of this church, but of San Francisco and the United States, we bid you take the remains of this man back to his native island. Carry with you the assurance of our sincere sympathy. We thank God that seventy years ago there were raised up missionaries that converted the natives of the Sandwich Islands, and since that time monarch after monarch has been baptized in the Christian faith, including this man. In the providence of God he was taken away, but his body will now be sent back to the island he loved so well, and for which his heart ever yearned."

When the minister ended his short but earnest address the choir sang "Rock of Ages," and the assembled clergy repeated the creed, followed by a brief benediction.

The body was then removed, and the cortege filed out of the church to the strains of "Asleep in Jesus."

The remains were then escorted to the wharf by an immense military and civic cortege, whence they were transferred to the cruiser Charleston for transmission to Honolulu.

PROCLAMATION.

Emanating from the Congress of the Imperial Council for North America, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

To all the Illustrious Potentates, Rabbans and Noble Shareefs throughout the Jurisdiction of the Western Hemisphere:

AFFLICTION! DISTRESS! SORROW!

Illustrious Noble TEWFIK MOHAMMED PASHA, Viceroy Khedive of Egypt, Shareef Sultani of the Oriental Bektash or Shrine of Cairo, under the Domain of the Crescent, is dead.

This Royal Shareef died in the city of Cairo, Egypt, on Nahar el Khamis, Jamaz ul Akhir 6, 1309 A. H., corresponding to the 7th day of January, 1892.

"Glory to him who hath transported his servant to the Unseen Temple."

You are hereby commanded, Imperial and Subordinate, for the full term of the next three crescent moons after this mandate, within the Mystic Sanctuaries of the Shrine, in accordance with the ancient Oriental custom, to drape your Altars and Tombs with the insignia of mourning, and let the Symbolic Funereal Urn be placed upon Sacred Black Stone, there to exhale incense during all ceremonials, and each and all of you to wear the customary emblems of mourning for the required term.

Also inscribe upon your Temple Records notice of the same. Executive mention on memorial will be taken under the auspices of the Imperial body at its next annual session, as prescribed for its illustrious dead.

In obedience to the Supreme Decree.

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Past Imperial Potentate and Representative Ad Vitam of Imperial Council, U. S. A., New York.

ILL. BRO. EDWARD MITCHELL, 33°,

of Hamilton, Ontario, R. W. Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Ontario, a Noble of Al Koran Temple. Born at Ballater, Scotland, 11th September, 1840. Died at Buffalo, New York, 22d February, 1892.

It is a mournful task for one to attempt to pen a sketch of a member of an Order who was endeared to the writer not only by the ties of a mutual brotherhood, but from many happy social meetings of both converse and friendship.

No one individual of the thousands who had joined hands about our Shrine was more thoroughly imbued with the principles of Arabic hospitality, or was a more ready exponent of the social virtues, and of which he was a remembered exemplar on every occasion where "heart beats to heart," whether the incident was one of either joy or sorrow.

Noble Mitchell will be recalled by many to whom he was presented, on the occasion of the assembling of this Imperial Council at Toronto, Ontario, and at Niagara Falls, N. Y., and no fitter tribute could be dedicated to his memory than the following panegyric pronounced by an intimate associate and brother, on the occasion of his demise:

"I believe it is true that there is no mortal who does not shrink from the idea of being absolutely forgotten, and yet we know how soon, under

ordinary circumstances, our very name sinks into oblivion, and will it not be a pleasant thought to cheer our hearts, as we carry with us the knowledge, while we still remain on this side of the river, that when we have passed in 'behind that door that never swings outward,' our names will occasionally be remembered and recalled."

It seems but yesterday since he whom we laid to rest a few days ago uttered these words. Though he died in a strange land among strangers, missing the sympathy and care of those who loved him, the great, generous heart of "Ned" Mitchell, which pulsed feebly with every passing hour, was cheered by the thought that his memory would forever be kept green by the brethren with whom for years he had labored, and for whom he cherished an affection that shone in his daily walk and conversation.

Bro. Mitchell is gone, but he will remain with us. The man would be heartless indeed who could cease to recall the merry repartee with which he parried a jest, or the touching pathos that oftentimes moved his listeners to tears when the sorrows of the afflicted and bereaved was his theme. The death of "Ned" Mitchell has caused more deep regret than can be expressed, and created a mightier gap in Grand Lodge than its members care to realize. To know him was to love him. That he should thus be untimely removed is a sorrow so great that every lodge room in our vast jurisdiction will feel its influence.

Born at Ballater, in Aberdeenshire, on the 11th September, 1840. Eight years later his father, a merchant, at the solicitation of his two oldest boys, who conceived the idea that the new world would give them more room to prosper, retired and sailed for Canada, and on arrival in Ontario purchased a homestead in the town of Ancaster. In less than two years the elder boy sought fresh fields and Mr. Mitchell moved to Galt, where he again started business, and where a disastrous fire compelled a return to the homestead. Young Mitchell had acquired the rudiments of a useful education at the country school, and subsequently improved himself at the Ancaster Grammar School, when, at the age of fifteen, he decided on learning a trade, and for six years labored to be an expert machinist or engineer under the master eye of Robert Walker, of Caledonia. By the end of that time a growing conviction that mechanics was not his forte had been confirmed, and when twenty-two he accepted a position in the office of Sheriff Thomas, of Hamilton, and the Ambitious City has been his home ever since. After being for some three years with the sheriff, Bro. Mitchell attached himself to the *Times* newspaper, where he distinguished himself as an active and vigilant reporter. Indeed, he enjoys the honor of being the only newspaper reporter in Canada who acted in that "Special" capacity on the field with the "boys" at the memorial skirmish at Ridgeway. It is claimed by newspaper men to-day that Bro. Mitchell's connection with the fourth estate contributed not a little to the even temper and genial disposition that laid the foundation of his popularity. It was shortly after the Ridgeway misunderstanding that Bro. Mitchell drifted away from journalism to become secretary of the Cana-

dian Oil-Company, which post he relinquished in January, 1868, to accept that of teller in the Canadian Bank of Commerce. For twenty years he rose with the fortunes of that institution. Grade by grade he steadily mounted the ladder of promotion. Like blood, true merit will tell, and as clerk, accountant, inspector, and finally manager, his career was linked with the progress of the bank, and when, through ill health and domestic affliction, he six months ago was compelled to resign and leave the office that knew his guiding spirit for twenty years, he carried with him the esteem and affection of all with whom business relations brought him in contact.

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 62, in Caledonia, claims Bro. Mitchell as her own. It was there he was born, Masonically speaking, on the 18th September, 1861, and in December following found himself Senior Deacon of his Lodge. On removing to Hamilton he affiliated with Acacia Lodge, in which he was elected Secretary shortly after. The following election his brethren promoted him to the West, and in due time he assumed the gavel, which he held from 1867 to 1870. In the second year of his office he was appointed Assistant Grand Secretary, and in the last was elected D. D. G. M. of the Hamilton District and re-elected 1871 and 1872. Four years subsequently R. W. Bro. Mitchell was elected Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, and he has been so since that time."

Noble Mitchell was an honored and active member of all the bodies of the York, and Scottish Rites, and his sudden demise leaves a vacant chair that may not be readily filled by one possessing the many rare qualities of temperament and administration which "Ned" most happily combined.

ILL. BROS. WILLIAM FRANKLYN BALDWIN, 32°

Of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, R. W. Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge, F. & A. M., of Ohio, a Noble of Al Koran Temple, died at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, 3d April, 1892.

"Can storied urn or animated bust
Back to its mansion call the fleeting breath?
Can Honour's voice provoke the silent dust,
Or Flattery soothe the dull, cold ear of death?"

William Franklyn Baldwin was born in Medina, Ohio, January 4, 1846, and was therefore in his 47th year. In 1854 his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fowler Baldwin, removed to Mt. Vernon, where the subject of this sketch resided until his death.

In Masonic circles the deceased was active and influential. He began his Masonic life on the 21st of July, 1871, when he was made an Entered Apprentice of Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 9, F. & A. M., of this city. He was passed August 4, and raised September 1 of the same year, and in 1876

received the degrees conferred in Clinton Chapter, No. 26, R. A. M., as follows: Mark Master, February 7; Past Master, March 6; Most Excellent Master, March 18; Royal Arch Mason, April 10. On the 29th of April of the same year he was created, in Clinton Commandery, No. 5, K. T., a Knight of the Red Cross, and on the 4th of May was dubbed a Knight Templar and Knight of Malta.

In these bodies he was an active and efficient worker, being honored with the highest offices, and several times elected Worshipful Master of Mt. Zion Lodge and Eminent Commander of Clinton Commandery. When his service as Eminent Commander was over, the Sir Knights of his Commandery presented him, as a token of their esteem, an elegant solid gold Past Commander's jewel, of which he was very proud. Last December he was elected High Priest of Clinton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, his term of office being for one year.

In 1889, Mr. Baldwin received, in Columbus and Cincinnati, the various grades of the Scottish Rite, up to and including the 32d degree, and had previously been made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine in Al Koran Temple, Cleveland. He was an active and influential member of the Nobility, and always willing by precept and example to advance the principles and social enjoyments of the Order. On the 6th of January of the present year, he received the degrees of Royal, Select and Super-Excellent Master in Bigelow Council at Newark, and when Kinsman Council of this city was dispensated was designated as the first Deputy Master. On the 23d of October of last year he became a member of the association of Masonic Veterans of Ohio.

In the Masonic Grand Lodge of Ohio, W. F. Baldwin was advancing rapidly to the high office of Grand Master, being, at his death, on his second term as Senior Grand Warden. He began his career in this body as Grand Deacon (by appointment), and was successively elected Junior Grand Warden and Senior Grand Warden by majorities which fully demonstrated his popularity.

Mr. Baldwin was one of the foremost agitators in the project of a Masonic Temple in Mt. Vernon, and it is largely due to his efforts that the craft has now an elegant, commodious, permanent home. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Temple Company, and was one of the building committee.

Mr. Baldwin was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and was one of the most influential parishioners. He was indefatigable in any work assigned him for the benefit of the parish, and served faithfully in the vestry. He was one of the organizers of the vested choir, and mainly by his zeal and energy has its efficiency been maintained. The following, unanimously adopted at a meeting of the vestry, and ordered spread upon the journal, evidences the esteem in which the deceased was held in the church:

"Our brother, W. F. Baldwin, who has gone before us, will be long held in remembrance for his many admirable traits of character. A devoted husband and father, his memory will forever remain a precious heritage to

his wife and children. A good and useful citizen, he will be greatly missed from all the circles of human activity touched by his life. Warm-hearted and steadfast in his attachments, he will be mourned by hosts of devoted friends. A loyal churchman, giving of his strength as well as of his means, ever ready at the call of duty, untiring in his zeal, his place will not soon be filled. To his afflicted family we send words of loving sympathy, asking God's blessing upon them in their great sorrow, calling to their minds those most comforting words, 'Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord.'

In social circles, Mr. Baldwin was well known, and was a leader. He possessed no mean qualifications as a vocalist, and did much to encourage the cultivation of music. Some years ago he took part in several theatricals, and recently appeared with credit in a local rendition of the Mikado. His genial and active disposition gained for him many warm friends, who were inexpressibly shocked to learn that he was dead.

Such is a brief and imperfect history of the life of one of whom it is a labor of love to write. He was a man easily approached, and a friend in whom one could safely rely. Mr. Baldwin died in the belief that when the strong hand of Death has leveled all in the grave, the almighty hand of God shall prevail, and exalt all his followers to the companionship and delights of the eternal heavens. As he possessed this faith, our mourning is not without comfort, and our sorrow not without hope.

Prominent among those of the laity who have passed

"the door of Darkness through,"

and who always enlivened by his presence and influence the annual sessions of this Imperial Council, was

CHARLES H. HARRIS, 32°,

a Noble of Medinah Temple, of Chicago, died May 4, 1892. "He was born in Rochester, N. Y., May 20, 1842, and was educated in the public schools of that city.

In 1862 he enlisted in the navy, shipping at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, on board the recruiting ship "Allegheny." He was soon afterward transferred to the Washington Navy Yard, where he was detailed to act as Captain's clerk, and he was also promoted to assist the paymaster in clerical duties, and assigned to the U. S. guard vessel "Sophronia," in the Potomac Flotilla. After being in the naval service about one year, ill health compelled him to tender his resignation and retire to private life. Mr. Harris now started for the oil regions of Pennsylvania, and struck the "Petroleum Center," striking it hard and to a purpose. The recoil, however, proved too much for his constitution, and after acquiring a handsome competency, re-

morseless reverses compelled him to relinquish the pile he had by industry, perseverance, economy and great assiduity amassed. This, briefly told, is what 1865 and 1866 did for the yet embryo "Carl Pretzel." Mr. Harris' first writings in the public press took the guise of news correspondence and gossip from the oil centre to the *Buffalo Courier*. His letters were spicy and entertaining, and acquired for their author a marked literary reputation, and for the paper wide-spread celebrity. In 1866 Mr. Harris went to Chicago, to grow up with the wild western country, instruct the natives in a thing or two concerning which they were in blissful ignorance, and to build up a popular humorous paper and acquire a few shekels if possible. He established, the same year, "Carl Pretzel's Magazine Book and Almanac," which was published for the next four years. He also wrote stories, sketches and anecdotes for the *New York Weekly*. In August, 1874, in connection with W. E. Dougherty, Mr. Harris started the first penny paper in Chicago, under the style and title of the *Chicago Herald*. The venture proved an uphill undertaking, and after a liberal and seemingly hopeless expenditure of money and brains, in the hope of getting the paper on to a paying financial basis, the originators of the enterprise sold out their rights and titles to other parties, who merged it into the *Daily News*. Mr. Harris began the publication of *Carl Pretzel's Weekly* in 1874, and issued it for many years. *Pretzel's Weekly* was the most thriving and popular humorous paper in the west, and the only journal of its class which ever attained either to reputation or financial success in Chicago. He was the first writer in contemporaneous literature to introduce German into American humor. Among his old-time friends and associates were Artemus Ward and Henry W. Faxon, the latter the author of "Beautiful Snow." Mr. Harris, in addition to being one of the brightest and most successful of the Chicago *literati*, was socially one of the best fellows one meets in a tour of the continent, and a friend who always stuck closer than a brother in the trying hour of need or adversity.

Later on *Pretzel's Weekly* became the *Sunday National*, and now is known as the *National Weekly*. Noble Harris, although a keen politician, never ran for office but once, in 1882, when he had secured the Republican nomination for coroner, but was defeated; it is said largely on the assertions made by his opponent that his writings ridiculed the character of the Germans. Noble Harris was the first to suggest the name of Benjamin Harrison for the presidency. In a letter under date of December 11th, 1879, Mr. Harrison acknowledged what he then considered more of a compliment than a possibility. Noble Harris was a member of Chicago Commandery, Knights Templar. He had been a great sufferer for a year with rheumatism and on May the 4th, 1892, died at his home, 269 Oakley Avenue; his funeral was under the auspices of Chicago Commandery of the Knights Templar, May the 8th, from St. Andrew's church. The widow and three sons survive him.

WILLIAM JERMYN FLORENCE, 32°.

Born (Conlin) at Albany, N. Y., 26th July, 1831, deceased at Philadelphia, Pa., 19th November, 1891.

He was a member of the various bodies of the York and Scottish Rites; was created a Knight Templar in Pittsburgh Commandery, No. 1, K. T., at Pittsburgh, Pa., June 13, 1854, and received the various grades of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the city of New York, being created a S. .P. .R. .S. . 32° on the 21st April, 1867, by Charles T. McClenachan, 33°, Commander-in-Chief of Aurora Grata Consistory.

Immediately upon receiving the intelligence of his sudden demise, the following proclamation was issued:

NOBILITY OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE.

PROCLAMATION.

Emanating from the Congress, Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, United States of America.

To all Illustrious Potentates, Rabbans and Noble Shareefs throughout the Jurisdiction of the Western Hemisphere:

AFFLICTION!

DISTRESS!

SORROW!

Illustrious Noble WILLIAM J. FLORENCE, 32°, Grand Shareef of Mecca Temple, and Representatives of Temples in the East under the domain of the Crescent, is dead.

Our esteemed Noble died in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., on Leylet el Jumaah, the seventeenth day of the Arabic month of Rabi' ul Akhir A. H., 1309, corresponding to the 19th day of November, 1891.

"Glory to Him, who hath transported his servant to the Unseen Temple."

You are hereby commanded, Imperial and Subordinate, for the full term of the next three crescent moons after this mandate, within the Mystic Sanctuaries of the Shrine, in accordance with the Ancient Oriental custom, to drape your Altars and Tombs with the insignia of mourning, and let the symbolic Funeral Urn be placed upon the Sacred Black Stone, there to exhale incense during all ceremonials, and each and all of you to wear the customary emblems of mourning for the required term.

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In obedience to Supreme Decree.

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Past Imperial Potentate and Representative Ad Vitam of Imperial Council, U. S. A., New York.

His repute in connection with the Ancient Arabic Order is too well known to be repeated here, for the name of Florence has been a Shibboleth in every Temple in the land since the advent of the Order in the Western World.

His fame as an actor, gentleman and a prince of good fellows has been world wide, and the following extracts from life sketches and eulogies will more fully illustrate the place he held in the affections of the communities where he was known and in the society wherein he moved:

"On Thursday evening last Bro. William J. Florence, the well-known actor, died in Philadelphia, after a week's illness of pneumonia. From the time he was taken sick, there was much doubt in the minds of many, of his ever recovering. Bro. Florence was a Mason, and belonged to all the connective bodies. He was also considered the father of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in this country. The last name of Bro. Florence was Conlin, and he was a brother of Police Inspector Conlin of this city. Bro. Florence was born in Albany, N. Y., on the 26th of July, 1831. No man was better fitted by nature for the parts he made famous. He was about five feet six inches in height, and, while strongly built, without the slightest clumsiness. He had a wealth of wavy brown hair that only needed length to blossom into curls; a broad, well-developed forehead; a pair of clear, twinkling, honest, merry blue eyes, always beaming kindly; a clean-shaven face with fun dancing in every dimple; an expressive mouth; a voice at once gentle and full of admirable intonations; a manner that inspired confidence and insured personal popularity. His private life was sweet and pure. He spoke a little French, German and Italian. In social life he was the friend of every one. He belonged to the Lotus, Manhattan, Jockey and Players' clubs in America, and to the Beefsteak, Garrick, Greenroom, Fielding and Savage clubs in London."

TRIBUTE TO FLORENCE.

"Should a philosopher soliloquize on life and death, I doubt not he would reason that if death comes after the accomplishment of the purpose of that life, then death has but reclaimed his own, otherwise the law of God would be transgressed and the plan of human kind diverted. I am persuaded that the inherent instinct of all life is the filling of a sphere in harmony with its environment and its pathway is guided by an omnipresent, though unseen, hand, which fixes responsibility and reward, measured by a universal law commensurate with the opportunities presented and good accomplished. It would be grossly inconsistent with the scheme of creation to apply an inflexible rule as to what should or should not meet with approbation or to arrive at degrees by a given scale. The truly just conclusion would be that he who has lived a life of usefulness and with an honest purpose, sought to fully utilize his faculties for the betterment of his surroundings. That man, in whatever direction he may have applied his efforts, has fulfilled his mission, complied with the law, and of right should be awarded a place among

THE MOST EXALTED OF HIS RACE.

If I have reasoned well, then am I not justified in saying that the man who has reached the summit in the pursuit of his chosen part, whose life-work has been permeated with the milk of human kindness, and whose every thought, word and act has been the lending of good cheer to his fellow-man, has well earned the plaudits of the millions in this world, and a seat at the right hand of Him who fixes our destiny, let the measure be by the most exacting rule and the scale of the most true and tried. I am indeed grieved to interrupt this joyous occasion, to announce the death of our beloved brother, that illustrious Noble, William J. Florence, who died of pneumonia on the 19th day of November, 1891, at the Continental hotel, in Philadelphia. The announcement of the death of Florence is scarcely less startling because it was anticipated, it comes with all the acuteness of a personal loss to admirers and friends from all points of the compass and every walk in life, actor, mason and man; his real genius was a genius for friendship, from the high and low. From king and peasant alike came the proud boast of the friendship of "Billy" Florence; his greatness is measured in a single word,

HE WAS ALL MEN'S FRIEND.

The philosopher who wrote, "I hold nothing human to be alien to myself," reduced to words the principle which Florence unconsciously lived. He was all sunshine and love; his happiest moments were those spent in contributing to the happiness of others. It is said he was never known to utter an unkind or malicious word of a human being. If ever a man lived who was free from envy and all uncharitableness it was Billy Florence; he was all that was bright and good in humanity. The influence of such a man does not cease with his exit; the world has been made happier by his living in it; with Florence, the Shakespearian rule shall be reversed. "It is not the evil which he did which will live after him, for

HE DID NO EVIL;

the good is not interred with his bones; it defies burial. It is rare that it is given to any man to lead a more useful life than Florence. It is doubtful whether there is any person living who has given more innocent diversion and wholesome amusement to so many thousands as he. In this world of grim realities and tragedies, of wearing cares and responsibilities, the man who can lighten them by his humor and help to lift the burden even for a little, is a public benefactor. Such was Florence; out of his own infinite fund of good spirits, and that rare sense of humor of his which sometimes produced a laugh, and sometimes deep sympathy, but always made one happier and better for seeing him, he added continually to the pleasures of others, and just as continually drew them to a higher-level of taste and appreciation, and thus the public learned to regard him, not only with admiration, but with affection, for

" Laugh and the world laughs with you,
 Weep and you weep alone;
 For the sad old earth must borrow its mirth,
 But has trouble enough of its own.

 Rejoice and men will seek you;
 Grieve and they turn and go;
 They want full measure of your pleasure,
 But they do not need your woe."

Charles Lamb expressed the thought when he said, "A laugh is worth a hundred groans in any state of the market." Hume was wont to say he would rather possess a cheerful disposition—one inclined to view the bright side—than with gloomy mind to be master of an estate of ten thousand a year. As an actor he did much to elevate the stage, even in the earlier periods of his professional career. When he devoted himself to Irish characters he was never clown or buffoon; his Irishman, whether master or servant, was always a creature of infinite jest and exuberant fancy. When he essayed the higher rôles of comedy he brought the same genuine qualities of refinement to his work.

Florence made acting worthy. He quit stage life honored by men in and out of his profession.

A CHIVALROUS KNIGHT, LEAL AND LOVED.

King, statesman, journalist, financier, all courted the genial "Billy." Nobody was the worse for knowing him, and, ah, the good dinners he ate, the good wine he drank, the good stories he told and the good deeds that he performed. And "Billy" Florence was accessory to the existence of this Order, which will stand as a lasting monument, exemplary of his very life, his splendid accomplishments and the good fellowship that he inspired; loved by all men and dearly loved by all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

" Alas, how sadly sleeps thy face amid the sunshine's glow;
 The golden glow that through thy heart was wont such joy to send;
 Woe that it smiles, and not for thee, our brother and our friend."

"Comedy removed her mask and wept at the bier of her beloved son." when the plaintive ceremonial of the dead began *in memoriam* of William J. Florence, the actor, and father of the Mystic Shrine. His funeral took place in New York on Monday last, and the great actor was sincerely mourned by thousands. The floral offerings were numerous and massive. He was a genial, warm-hearted gentleman, and none knew him but to love him."

"But, though both the Catholic church and the Free Masons behaved with rare and admirable tact and judgment, now that 'Billy' Florence's wholesome, jovial body is under the turf, and his great, generous soul (no one who didn't know him well knows how great and broad and deep that soul was), now that it rests in the perpetual peace which at last awaits well-doers of all creeds and of no creed at all, the truth of the matter begins to break like a morning futilely hid by window blinds.

William Conlin (Florence), no matter what his fondness for the good priests he knew and for the beneficence and the beauty of the creed they preached, was a Free Mason, who loved Free Masonry, who believed in its nobility, who practiced its charity, who was true to its obligations, and who never, even on his death-bed, renounced it. He stood high up in its rolls, he was proud of the honors it bestowed upon him, and none of its craftsmen ever failed to receive at his hands the fullest exemplification of its precepts.

There is reason not only to believe, but to know, that the last pulses of his big heart beat faithfully to the keynote of the Order in which his kind, sympathetic soul heard nothing but the sweet harmonies of a common humanity.

To Florence's keen and generous nature Masonry meant not a conspiracy against faith in the supernatural, but a confraternity of those who love and would benefit mankind, overwhelmed as it is by this mysteriously malignant conditions of his temporal and transitory life. Had he anticipated death, had he felt that he stood upon the bank of the Dark Stream which divides the Visible and the Mortal from the Immortal and the Unseen, he would not have quailed.

There was no manly act of his, done in the flush of his health and strength, that Florence would have repudiated in the hour of his dissolution and in the face of death. Eternity never had terrors for that kind and true and simple soul.

To impute against him that the last moment reversed the thoughts and beliefs of a lifetime is to asperse with insult the new grave in Greenwood."

ADDRESS REFERRED TO A COMMITTEE.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the address of the Imperial Potentate be referred to the Committee on Transactions of Imperial Officers for subdivision and for reference to the appropriate Committees.

The Imperial Council.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed the following Standing Committees:

I.—*Credentials.*

Noble LOUIS P. ECKER,
 “ GEO. H. WALKER,
 “ GUSTAVE ANDERSON,
 “ LOU. BURT,
 “ DWIGHT BYINGTON.

II.—*Dispensations and Charters.*

Noble RICH. P. MARVIN, JR.,
 “ CLARK L. RICHARDS,
 “ WILLIAM RYAN,
 “ THOMAS J. BISHOP,
 “ JOHN A. MAY.

III.—*Finance and Accounts.*

Noble THOMAS J. HUDSON,
 “ HORACE W. HUBBARD,
 “ GEO. W. MILLAR,
 “ JOSEPH W. SMITH,
 “ WILLIAM A. STILES.

IV.—*Grievances and Appeals.*

Noble THOMAS WATERMAN,
 “ WILLIAM A. BRIGGS,
 “ EDWARD C. CULP,
 “ RUFUS E. FLEMING,
 “ CHARLES L. FIELD.

V.—*Jurisprudence and Laws.*

Noble WILLIAM B. MELISH,
 “ JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
 “ WILLIAM H. MAYO,
 “ CHAS. W. CUSHMAN,
 “ LAWRENCE M. KNEPFLY.

VI.—*Mileage and Pay of Representatives.*

Noble JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
 “ SAMUEL E. WATSON,
 “ OSCAR M. METCALF,
 “ GEORGE F. LODER,
 “ JULIUS W. KNOWLTON.

And also the following Committees, as sanctioned by the custom prevailing in the past:

VII.—*Foreign Correspondence.*

Noble JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
“ CURTIS H. WINSOR,
“ RICHARD A. KETNER,
“ M. W. STEINER,
“ EZRA S. BARTLETT.

VIII.—*Ritual.*

Noble JOHN W. BOYLE,
“ CYRUS W. EATON,
“ GEO. H. BURNHAM,
“ ARCHIBALD N. SLOAN,
“ HENRY H. MCGAFFEY.

IX.—*Deceased Members.*

Noble WILLIAM C. NICKUM,
“ HENRY A. COLLINS,
“ JAMES TYLER,
“ HENRY STOWELL,
“ ALBERT B. MCGAFFEY.

X.—*Transactions of Imperial Officers.*

Noble WAYLAND TRASK,
“ ETHELBERT F. ALLEN,
“ THADDEUS B. BEECHER,
“ HENRY C. STOCKDELL,
“ ALFRED PAULL.

REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL TREASURER.

By the IMPERIAL TREASURER the following Annual Report was submitted:

PHILADELPHIA, PA., July 13, 1892.

*To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council,
A. A. O. N. M. S.:*

Your Imperial Treasurer herewith submits his statement of the moneys received and disbursed by him from May 30, 1891, to July 13, 1892:

Receipts.

June 9, 1891.	To balance,.....	\$10,563 47
July 17, 1891.	" Cash from Imp. Rec'r, F. M. Luce, \$ 300 00	
Sept. 9, 1891.	" " " " " 106 69	
Oct. 10, 1891.	" " " " " 250 00	
Nov. 20, 1891.	" " " " " 100 00	
Jan. 18, 1892.	" " " " " 1,000 00	
" 22, 1892.	" " " " " 200 00	
Feb. 4, 1892.	" " " " " 200 00	
" 29, 1892.	" " " " " 200 00	
Mar. 23, 1892.	" " " " " 500 00	
" 28, 1892.	" " " " " 200 00	
Apr. 15, 1892.	" " " " " 200 00	
May 2, 1892.	" " " " " 100 00	
" 9, 1892.	" " " " " 300 00	
June 6, 1892.	" " " " " 500 00	
" 16, 1892.	" " " " " 1,000 00	
" 20, 1892.	" " " " " 500 00	
" 27, 1892.	" " " " " 400 00	
July 1, 1892.	" " " " " 1,000 00	
" 9, 1892.	" " " " " 3,000 00	
" 11, 1892.	" " " " " 3,000 00	
" 13, 1892.	" " " " " 1,885 31	
" 13, 1892.	" " " " " 74 00	
		15,016 00

Total Receipts.....\$25,579 47

Disbursements.

1891.		
June 9.	Zamora Temple guarantee fee returned.....	\$ 100 00
" 9.	Joseph S. Wright, per diem and mileage for delegates to meeting of June 9, 1891.....	3,807 95
" 17.	Sam. Briggs, expenses for March, April and May, 1891.	191 48
" 19.	Media Temple guarantee fee returned.....	100 00
" 26.	El Katif Temple guarantee fee returned.....	100 00
" 29.	Niagara Frontier Lodge, No. 132, use of hall for Imp. Council meeting, June 9, 1891.....	25 00
July 2.	John W. Boyle, expenses and per diem attending meeting of Committee on Ritual, June 7th and 8th...	25 00
" 2.	William B. Melish, expenses and per diem attending meeting of Committee on Ritual, June 7th and 8th.	25 00
" 2.	Thomas J. Hudson, expenses and per diem attending meeting of Committee on Ritual, June 7th and 8th.	25 00
" 2.	George C. Connor, expenses and per diem attending meeting of Committee on Ritual, June 7th and 8th.	27 50
" 2.	Cyrus W. Eaton, expenses and per diem attending meeting of Committee on Ritual.....	138 00
" 3.	Frank T. Haggerty, services rendered reporting and copying proceedings of meeting June 9, 1891.....	50 00

July 10.	Cyrus W. Eaton, seven days' time on Ritual Committee at \$5.00 per day	\$35 00
" 10.	John W. Boyle, five days' time on Ritual Committee at \$5.00 per day	25 00
Sept. 9.	Frank M. Luce, postage stamps and expressage	106 69
July 24.	Knight, Leonard & Co., printing to June 25, 1891	122 00
Oct. 10.	Frank M. Luce, salary as Imperial Recorder, quarter ending September 10, 1891	250 09
Nov. 12.	Knight, Leonard & Co., printing to Oct. 1, 1891	281 50
" 27.	Sam. Briggs, expenses for June, July and August, 1891	170 70
" 27.	Sam. Briggs, expenses for September and October, 1891	58 30
" 30.	Frank M. Luce, expenses to November 10, 1891	40 10
Dec. 3.	Shober-Carqueville Lithographing Co., 5,000 diplomas	165 00
" 3.	Frank M. Luce, salary as Imperial Recorder, quarter ending December 10, 1891	250 00
" 15.	George W. Millar, money advanced by him to insert notices of death of Wm. J. Florence in N. Y. papers. 1892	122 90
Feb. 23.	George W. Millar, money advanced by him to insert notice of death of Khedive of Egypt in N. Y. papers	38 59
" 23.	Frank M. Luce, postage stamps to Feb. 8, 1892	122 00
Mar. 18.	Frank M. Luce, salary as Imperial Recorder, quarter ending March 10, 1892	250 00
April 9.	Frank M. Luce, postage and express charges to March 10, 1892	127 70
" 9.	Pettibone, Wells & Co., printing to Feb. 29, 1892	87 45
" 9.	Knight, Leonard & Co., printing to March 11, 1892	70 50
May 9.	Groneweg Printing Co., printing 1,000 Constitution and By-Laws	39 50
" 28.	A. H. Andrews & Co., table for Imperial Recorder's office	20 00
" 28.	Pettibone, Wells & Co., printing to April 30, 1892	21 25
June 15.	Frank M. Luce, postage and expressage to May 21, 1892	147 75
" 15.	Frank M. Luce, salary, quarter ending June 10, 1892	250 00
" 15.	The Henry O. Shepard Co., printing new Rituals	450 00
" 27.	Sam. Briggs, expenses of office of Imperial Potentate, November 19, 1891 to June 1, 1892	729 61
July 9.	Frank M. Luce, salary to August 10, 1892	166 66
" 11.	Pettibone, Wells & Co., printing and stationery to July 7, 1892	42 01
" 11.	Knight, Leonard & Co., printing to July 7, 1892	101 00
" 11.	Frank M. Luce, postage and expressage to July 5, 1892	102 00
Total expenditures		\$9,008 05

Recapitulation.

July 13, 1892.	Total amount of receipts	\$25,579 47
" " " "	" " disbursements	9,008 05

Balance of cash on hand

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
Imperial Treasurer.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL TREASURER'S REPORT.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the Report of the Imperial Treasurer be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL RECORDER.

Annual Report of the IMPERIAL RECORDER was presented as follows:

CHICAGO, July 13, 1892.

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Imperial Recorder respectfully submits the following report for the year from May 30, 1891, to July 13, 1892:

IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

At the close of last Annual Session, and to the present time, there are:

No. of Active members of the Imperial Council	78
“ Emeriti members	4
“ Representatives of Temples in the East	3
“ Temples that have been Chartered to date	56
“ Temples under Dispensation to date	6

REPORTS OF TEMPLES.

The reports which have been received from the various Temples are given in the table herewith.

A recapitulation of the Annual Reports from all the Temples shows the following totals:

No. Nobles on December 31, 1890	16,980
“ “ Entered the Unseen Temple	186
“ “ Demitted	345
“ “ Suspended	81
“ “ Expelled	2
Decrease in members	614
Leaving a total of	16,366
No. Nobles Created to December 31, 1891, in Temples	4,563
“ “ Affiliated and restored to date	185
“ “ In Temples under dispensation, Charter members	13
Total increase in Nobles	4,761
Total number of Nobles Dec. 31, 1891	21,127

Report of Temples, to January 1, 1892.

TEMPLES.	LOCATION.	Members Dec. 31, 1890.	Died.	Demitted.	Suspended. Expelled.	Created.	Affiliated. Restored.	Charter Members.	Members Dec. 31, 1891.	Created in Temples U. D. Jan. 1 to July 13, 1892.	Membership of Temples U. D. July 13, 1892.
1 Abdallah	Leavenworth	164		2		74	1		237		
2 Acca	Richmond	109	4			41	2		148		
3 Affil	Tacoma	105	1		1	34	5		142		
4 Aleppo	Boston	1,352	16	11		348			1,673		
5 Alhambra	Chattanooga	54		19		59			94		
6 Al Kader	Portland	86	1			22	3		110		
7 Al Koran	Cleveland	475	5	6	2	52	2		516		
8 Al Malukah	Los Angeles	168				40	4		210		
9 Almas	Washington	247	7	3	6	87	1		319		
10 Algeria	Helena	152	2	1		45			194		
11 Al Chymia, U. D.	Memphis										
12 Ararat	Kansas City	303	3	8		95	2		389		
13 Boumi	Baltimore	272	4	6	2	16			276		
14 Ballut Abyad	Albuquerque	32				16			48		
15 Ben Hur, U. D.	Austin		1			54		13	66		
16 Cyprus	Albany	157	3			46			200		
17 Damascus	Rochester	298				133			431		
18 El Jebel	Denver	468	2	30	2	108	4		556		
19 El Kalah, U. D.	Salt Lake City	16	1	1		69	3		86		
20 El Kahir	Cedar Rapids	387	3	3		179			560		
21 El Katif	Spokane	57				31	1		89		
22 El Riad	Sioux Falls	154	3			42			193		
23 El Zagul	Fargo	82		6		62	5		143		
24 Hamasa, U. D.	Meridian										
25 Hella	Dallas	250		14		115			351		
26 Isis	Salina	284	1	5		46			294		
27 Islam	San Francisco	396	8		1	61			448		
28 Ismailia	Buffalo	302	2	4		83	1		390		
29 Jerusalem	New Orleans	58	1	2					55		
30 Kaaba	Davenport	106	1	1		233	3		340		
31 Kismet	Brooklyn	324	6	1		64	4		385		
32 Kora, U. D.	Lewiston										
33 Kosair	Louisville	157	3	3		15	3		169		
34 Lu Lu	Philadelphia	1,459	14	3	2	336	2		1,778		
35 Mecca	New York	1,548	28	6		229	6		1,749		
36 Medinah	Chicago	1,121	11	18		222	4		1,318		
37 Media	Watertown					31	111		142		
38 Moila	St. Joseph	93		3		24			114		
39 Moolah	St. Louis	241	1	5	1	48			282		
40 Morocco	Jacksonville	20				4			24		
41 Moslem	Detroit	448	2	9		47	1		485		
42 Mount Sinai	Montpelier	222	2			27			247		
43 Murat	Indianapolis	342	4		2	55	1		392		
44 Oriental	Troy	304	3	1	1	47			346		
45 Osiris	Wheeling	127	1	2		94			218		
46 Osman	St. Paul	298	3	11	1	66	2		351		
47 Palestine	Providence	300	5			62			357		
48 Pyramid	Bridgeport	559	7	1		193	1		745		
49 Rameses	Toronto	86	1			1			86		
50 Sahara	Pine Bluff	53				4			57		
51 Salaam	Olney	44							44		
52 Saladin	Grand Rapids	243		6		92			329		
53 Sesostris	Lincoln	113		3		63			173		
54 Syria	Pittsburgh	674	10	4	48	90	3		705		
55 Syrian	Cincinnati	497	3	2	14	85	3		566		
56 Tangier	Omaha	211	2			89	4		302		
57 Tripoli	Milwaukee	250	1	4		109	1		355		
58 Yaarab	Atlanta	85	1	8		45	1		122		
59 Zamora	Birmingham	24				25	1		49		
60 Zem Zem, U. D.	Eric										
61 Ziyara	Utica	385	6	138		153			394		
62 Zuhrah	Minneapolis	218	1	5		52	1		265		
Totals		16,980	186	345	83	4,563	185	13	21,127		

Receipts.

There have been received for Fees, Dues, etc., for the year ending July 13, 1892, from the following Temples:

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Total.
Sept. 7, 1891.	Abdallah		\$ 2 00			
Dec. 17, 1891.	"		24 00			
Jan. 4, 1892.	"	\$ 30 00				
Feb. 29, 1892.	"		100 00			
May 24, 1892.	"		52 00			
Jun. 11, 1892.	"		8 00			\$216 00
Aug. 18, 1891.	Acca		50 00			
Feb. 3, 1892.	"	20 00	32 00			102 00
July 1, 1891.	Afifi		48 00			
Dec. 12, 1891.	"		6 60			
Jan. 2, 1892.	"	20 00				94 00
Mch. 14, 1892.	"		20 00			
Dec. 17, 1891.	Aleppo		214 00			
Jan. 29, 1892.	"	170 00	50 00			
Mch. 24, 1892.	"		208 00			
June 2, 1892.	"		260 00			932 00
July 6, 1891.	Algeria		10 00			
Nov. 14, 1891.	"		28 00			
Dec. 23, 1891.	"		20 00			
Jan. 14, 1892.	"	20 00				
Mch. 21, 1892.	"		8 00			
Jun. 16, 1892.	"		8 00			94 00
Jan. 21, 1892.	Alhumbra	10 00	52 00			
June 3, 1892.	"		54 00			116 00
April 6, 1892.	Al Kader	20 00	44 00			64 00
Nov. 24, 1891.	Al Koran		14 00			
Dec. 14, 1891.	"	60 00				
Dec. 26, 1891.	"		42 00			
Mch. 12, 1892.	"		66 00			
May 11, 1892.	"		41 00			223 00
Dec. 11, 1891.	Al Malaikah		50 00			
Jan. 25, 1892.	"	30 00				
Mch. 26, 1892.	"		16 00			
Jun. 20, 1892.	"		10 00			106 00
Feb. 18, 1892.	Almas	40 00	210 00			250 00
June 8, 1891.	Al Chymia, U. D.	10 00				
Oct. 31, 1891.	"		40 00			
Jan. 29, 1892.	"		26 00			76 00
Sept. 16, 1892.	"					
Sept. 16, 1891.	Ararat		87 00			
Jan. 14, 1892.	"	40 00	60 00			
Mch. 26, 1892.	"		82 00			
Apr. 18, 1892.	"		3 00			
May 25, 1892.	"		69 00			
June 9, 1892.	"		5 00			346 00
Jan. 21, 1892.	Ballut Abyad	10 00	6 00			
Jun. 28, 1892.	"		18 00			34 00
Nov. 18, 1891.	Ben Hur, U. D.		96 00			
Jan. 28, 1892.	"	10 00	12 00			
Mch. 25, 1892.	"		58 00			
May 19, 1892.	"		30 00			
Jun. 30, 1892.	"			\$15 00	\$150 00	371 00
Jan. 4, 1892.	Boumi		32 00			
Jan. 14, 1892.	"	30 00				62 00
Nov. 10, 1891.	Cyprus		62 00			
Jan. 14, 1892.	"	20 00	26 00			
Apr. 18, 1892.	"		18 00			126 00
July 2, 1891.	Damascus		242 00			
July 13, 1892.	"	50 00	24 00			316 00
June 3, 1891.	El Jebel		170 00			
Sept. 23, 1891.	"		46 00			
Jan. 2, 1892.	"	60 00				
Feb. 3, 1892.	"		56 00			
Carried forward.		\$650 00	\$3,045 00	\$15 00	\$150 00	\$3,528 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Total.
Brought forward		\$650 00	\$3,045 00	\$15 00	\$150 00	\$3,528 00
Apr. 28, 1892	El Jebel		56 00			
Jun. 28, 1892	"		94 00			482 00
Aug. 1, 1891	El Kalah, U. D.		92 00			
Oct. 27, 1891	"		26 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	10 00	20 00			148 00
July 1, 1891	El Kahir		118 00			
Nov. 20, 1891	"		51 00			
Dec. 10, 1891	"		42 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	60 00	2 00			
Feb. 3, 1892	"		130 00			
Apr. 26, 1892	"		102 00			505 00
June 5, 1891	El Katif	10 00	22 00			
Jun. 24, 1891	"		2 00			82 00
Mch. 24, 1892	"	10 00	38 00			
Oct. 31, 1891	El Riad		48 00			
Mch. 26, 1892	"	20 00				
May 2, 1892	"		54 00			122 00
June 1, 1891	El Zagal		84 00			
Mch. 4, 1892	"		76 00			
May 16, 1892	"	20 00	26 00			196 00
July 1, 1892	Hamasa, U. D.			15 00	150 00	175 00
Dec. 12, 1891	Hella		64 00			
Jan. 21, 1892	"	40 00	38 00			
June 24, 1892	"		64 00			206 00
Sept. 23, 1891	Isis		67 00			
Jan. 25, 1892	"	40 00	37 00			
Mar. 21, 1892	"		1 00			145 00
Jan. 14, 1892	Islam	50 00	122 00			172 00
Oct. 8, 1891	Ismailia		76 00			
Dec. 14, 1891	"		34 00			
Feb. 25, 1892	"	40 00	40 00			
May 2, 1892	"		108 00			298 00
Apr. 6, 1892	Jerusalem	10 00				10 00
July 2, 1891	Karaba		14 00			
Sept. 15, 1891	"		32 00			
Oct. 27, 1891	"		14 00			
Nov. 2, 1891	"		88 00			
Nov. 14, 1891	"		17 00			
Dec. 20, 1891	"		4 00			
Jan. 4, 1892	"	40 00	140 00			
Apr. 27, 1892	"		152 00			
June 3, 1892	"		37 00			538 00
Aug. 28, 1891	Kismet		86 00			
Jan. 23, 1892	"	40 00	42 00			168 00
May 2, 1892	Kora, U. D.		122 00			
June 24, 1892	"	10 00				
June 30, 1892	"			15 00	150 00	297 00
June 8, 1891	Kosair		21 00			
Nov. 2, 1891	"		10 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	20 00				
June 13, 1892	"		8 00			59 00
Jan. 14, 1892	Ln Ln	180 00	672 00			852 00
June 2, 1891	Media	10 00				
Nov. 17, 1891	"		12 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	20 00	6 00			
Jan. 23, 1892	"		2 00			
Feb. 10, 1892	"		6 00			
Feb. 25, 1892	"		70 00			
Apr. 13, 1892	"		2 00			
May 24, 1892	"		2 00			130 00
Nov. 30, 1891	Mecca		259 00			
Dec. 11, 1891	"		34 00			
Jan. 8, 1892	"	180 00	62 00			
Feb. 1, 1892	"		43 00			
April 6, 1892	"		123 00			
June 10, 1892	"		202 00			
Carried forward		\$1,460 00	\$7,061 00	\$45 00	\$450 00	\$8,113 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispen- sations.	Total.
Brought forward		\$1,460 00	\$7,061 00	\$45 00	\$450 00	\$8,115 00
May 3, 1892	Mecca		132 00			
June 16, 1892	"		1 00			1,036 00
Nov. 1, 1891	Medinah		84 00			
Jan. 23, 1892	"	140 00	231 00			455 00
Jan. 2, 1892	Moila	20 00	48 00			
June 9, 1892	"		24 00			
June 29, 1892	"		14 00	5 00		111 00
July 20, 1891	Moolah		16 00			
May 21, 1892	"	30 00	48 00			
May 21, 1892	"		82 00			
July 5, 1892	"		32 00			208 00
Jan. 14, 1892	Morocco	10 00				
Jan. 23, 1892	"		8 00	10 00		
June 2, 1892	"		18 00			46 00
June 8, 1891	Moslem		33 00			
Jan. 29, 1892	"		104 00			
Feb. 10, 1892	"		3 00			
Mch 10, 1892	"	60 00	54 00			
May 3, 1892	"		80 00			
June 30, 1892	"		103 00			437 00
July 1, 1891	Mount Sinai		10 00			
Dec. 12, 1891	"		8 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	30 00				
May 10, 1892	"		8 00			
June 9, 1892	"		28 00			84 00
Aug. 20, 1891	Murat		1 00			
Jan. 29, 1892	"		2 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	40 00				
Feb. 25, 1892	"		52 00			
Apr. 7, 1892	"		70 00			
June 3, 1892	"		72 00			
June 28, 1892	"		1 00			238 00
Dec. 5, 1891	Oriental		94 00			
Mch. 21, 1892	"	40 00				134 00
July 2, 1891	Ostris		56 00			
Oct. 22, 1891	"		12 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	30 00	103 00			
Apr. 13, 1892	"		34 00			
June 28, 1892	"		112 00			347 00
Sept. 16, 1891	Osman		20 00			
Oct. 21, 1891	"		20 00			
Dec. 11, 1891	"		8 00			
Jan. 21, 1891	"	40 00	57 00			
Mch. 24, 1891	"		24 00			
May 25, 1891	"		38 00			207 00
Mch. 21, 1892	Palestine	40 00	124 00			164 00
July 2, 1891	Pyramid		276 00			
Nov. 2, 1891	"		44 00			
Jan. 21, 1892	"	80 00	14 00			
June 6, 1892	"		198 00			612 00
Dec. 5, 1891	Rameses	10 00	2 00			12 00
Jan. 14, 1892	Sahara	10 00				
Mch. 24, 1892	"		2 00			
May 2, 1892	"		74 00			
June 13, 1892	"		34 00			120 00
Feb. 25, 1892	Sabaam	10 00				10 00
Sept. 19, 1891	Saladin		104 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	40 00				
Mch. 4, 1892	"		98 00			242 00
Jan. 4, 1882	Sesostris	20 00	126 00			146 00
Nov. 27, 1891	Syria		102 00			
Jan. 14, 1892	"	80 00				
Mch. 10, 1892	"		1 00			
Mch. 26, 1892	"		122 00			305 00
Mch. 21, 1892	Syrian	60 00	170 00			230 00
June 1, 1891	Tangier		58 00			
Carried forward		\$2,250 00	\$10,555 00	\$60 00	\$450 00	\$13,257 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Rituals.	Dispensations.	Totals.
Brought forward		\$2,250 00	\$10,555 00	\$80 00	\$450 00	\$13,257 00
Oct. 16, 1891.	Tangier		52 00			
Jan. 2, 1892.	"		66 00			
Feb. 3, 1892.	"	40 00				
Apr. 1, 1892.	"		52 00			
June 30, 1892.	"		64 00			332 00
June 3, 1891.	Tripoli		120 00			
Oct. 27, 1891.	"		2 00			
Jan. 23, 1892.	"	40 00	98 00			
Feb. 25, 1892.	"		8 00			
Apr. 1, 1892.	"		42 00			310 00
Aug. 23, 1891.	Yaarab		44 00			
Jan. 25, 1892.	"	20 00	28 00			
Feb. 25, 1892.	"		6 00			
May 10, 1892.	"		38 00			138 00
June 2, 1892.	Zanora		24 00			
May 2, 1892.	"	10 00	26 00			60 00
June 13, 1892.	Zem Zem, U. D.		114 00			
July 1, 1892.	"			15 00	150 00	279 00
July 14, 1891.	Ziyara	60 00	298 00			
Oct. 27, 1891.	"		20 00			
Jan. 14, 1892.	"	40 00				
June 24, 1892.	"		38 00			
June 30, 1892.	"		2 00			458 00
July 6, 1891.	Zuhrah		4 00			
Oct. 16, 1891.	"		24 00			
Dec. 12, 1891.	"		6 00			
Jan. 2, 1892.	"	30 00				
Feb. 18, 1892.	"		72 00			
Apr. 18, 1892.	"		18 00			
May 10, 1892.	"		30 00			184 00
Totals.		\$2,490 00	\$11,851 00	\$75 00	\$600 00	\$15,016 00

Recapitulation of above receipts.

Receipts for Dispensation Fees	\$ 600 00
" " Annual Dues	2,490 00
" " Initiation Fees	11,851 00
" " Rituals	75 00

Total paid Imperial Treasurer.....\$15,016 00

The Imperial Council is entirely free from debt, and has a balance of \$16,571.42 in the treasury.

FRANK M. LUCE,
Imperial Recorder.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL RECORDER'S REPORT.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the Annual Report of the Imperial Recorder be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

The Imperial Council then took a recess of one hour after which the Committee on Transactions of Imperial Officers made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSACTIONS OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

Your Committee on the Transactions of Imperial Officers submit the following report:

1. We congratulate the Order on its large increase in membership, and its continued prosperity, as shown by the sixth annual address of Illustrious Sam. Briggs, Imperial Potentate.
2. That so much of the address as refers to the fraternal dead be referred to the Committee on Deceased Members.
3. That so much of the address as refers to dispensations and charters be referred to the committee appointed to review such matters.
4. That so much of the address as relates to correspondence be referred to the Committee on Correspondence.
5. That so much of the address as relates to Finance and Accounts be referred, together with the expense of the Imperial office, to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.
6. That so much of the address as refers to Jurisprudence and Laws, and Decisions of the Imperial Potentate, as well as the matter of Diplomas and Traveling Certificates, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.
7. That that portion of the address referring to public parades and demonstrations on occasions observed by orders other than the Mystic Shrine, be hereby approved by the Imperial Council.

Respectfully submitted,

WAYLAND TRASK,
ETHELBERT F. ALLEN,
THADDEUS B. BEECHER,
Committee.

On motion, the report was received and adopted, and the subjects ordered to be referred as recommended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Committee on Credentials presented the following report:
To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council,
A. A. O. N. M. S.

We, the members of your Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report as follows:

Credentials in due form have been presented to the Committee from the following named Nobles, and we recommend that they be received as Representatives of the Temples named, and constituted Active Members of this Imperial Council.

Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kas.

1. Noble DWIGHT BYINGTON.....Recorder.

Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.

2. Noble LOUIS P. ECKER.....Potentate.

Afti Temple, Tacoma, Wash.

3. Noble WM. G. ROWLAND.....Member.

Al Chymia Temple, U. D., Memphis, Tenn.

4. *Noble W. M. BROOKS.....Member.

Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.

5. Noble THOMAS WATERMAN.....Potentate.
6. " JAMES A. FOX.....High Priest.
7. " BENJAMIN W. ROWELL.....Recorder.
8. " FRANK LOCKE.....Director.

Algeria Temple, Helena, Mont.

9. Noble RICHARD LOCKEY.....Member.

Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tenn.

10. Noble A. N. SLOAN.....High Priest.

Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

11. Noble SAM BRIGGS.....Potentate.
12. " HORACE W. HUBBARD.....Director.
13. " N. S. HARRIS.....Member.

Al Kader Temple, Portland, Ore.

14. *Noble THOMAS MCF. PATTON.....Member.

Al Malaikah Temple, Los Angeles, Cal.

15. Noble JOHN M. JOHNSTON.....Member.

Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.

16. Noble GEORGE H. WALKER.....Recorder.
17. " HARRISON DINGMAN.....High Priest.
18. * " LEONARD C. WOOD.....Potentate.

Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.

19. Noble ETHELBERT F. ALLEN.....Potentate.
20. " C. A. HIBBARD.....Chief Rabban.
21. " IRA C. HUBBELL.....Member.

Ballut Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, N. M.

22. *Noble ALEX. STEVENS.....Past Potentate.

Ben Hur Temple, U. D., Austin, Texas.

23. Noble CHARLES S. MORSE.....Potentate.

Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.

24. Noble WILLIAM C. NICKUM.....Past Potentate.

*The Imperial Council.**Cyprus Temple, Albany, N. Y.*

25. Noble THOMAS J. BISHOP.....Potentate

Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y.

26. Noble GEORGE F. LODER.....Potentate.
 27. * " W. H. WHITING.....Chief Rabban.
 28. * " S. D. W. CLEVELAND.....Past Potentate.

El Jebel Temple, Denver, Col.

29. Noble ALBERT B. MCGAFFEY.....Past Potentate.
 30. * " FRANK J. HARRD.....Past Recorder.

El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

31. Noble CYRUS W. EATON.....Potentate.
 32. " EDWARD I. FOSTER.....Chief Rabban.
 33. * " B. R. SHERMAN.....Member.

El Kalah Temple, U. D., Salt Lake City, Utah.

34. Noble SAMUEL MCDOWALL.....Outer Guard.

El Katif Temple, Spokane Wash.

35. *Noble NATHAN B. RUNDLE.....Member.

El Riad Temple, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

36. Noble C. H. WINSOR.....Potentate.

El Zagal Temple, Fargo, North Dakota.

37. Noble RUFUS E. FLEMING.....Potentate.

Hamasa Temple, U. D., Meridian, Miss.

38. *Noble G. SMALLSHAF.....Chief Rabban.

Hella Temple, Dallas, Tex.

39. Noble JOSEPH KNIGHT ASHBY.....Past Potentate.
 40. " LAWRENCE M. KNEPFY.....Past Potentate.
 41. " HENRY M. SPALDING.....Past Potentate.

Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.

42. Noble EDWARD C. CULP.....Past Potentate.
 43. " OSCAR SEITZ.....Past Potentate.
 44. " JACOB DE WITT.....Member.

Islam Temple, San Francisco. Cal.

45. Noble CHARLES L. FIELD.....Past Potentate.
 46. * " VICTOR D. DUBOCE.....Recorder.

Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.

47. Noble CHARLES W. CUSHMAN.....Potentate.
 48. " FRANK T. GILBERT.....Chief Rabban.
 49. " GEORGE L. BROWN.....Assistant Rabban.

Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La.

50. *Noble ALBERT G. BRICE.....Past Potentate.

Kuaba Temple, Davenport, Ia.

51. Noble CLARK L. RICHARDS..... Potentate.
52. " JOHN HOYT.....Chief Rabban.
53. " WILBER F. FIDLAR.....Assistant Rabban.

Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.

54. Noble WAYLAND TRASK.....Potentate.
55. " EDWIN A. THRALL.....Member.
56. " C. E. STUMP.....First Cer. Master.

Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.

57. Noble WILLIAM RYAN.....Potentate.

Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.

58. Noble JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....Potentate.
59. " EDWARD B. JORDAN.....Director.
60. " FREDERICK LEIBRANDT.....Member.
61. " CHAS. CARY.....Recorder.

Mecca Temple, New York, N. Y.

62. Noble GEORGE W. MILLAR.....Treasurer.
63. " JAMES MCGEE.....Member.
64. " JOSEPH B. EAKINS.....Director.
65. " S. R. ELLISON.....Recorder.

Media Temple, Watertown, N. Y.

66. Noble DANFORD G. EGGLESTON.....Chief Rabban.

Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.

67. Noble JOHN A. MAY.....Past Potentate.
68. " WILLIAM A. STILES.....Potentate.
69. " FRANK M. LUCE.....Recorder.
70. " LEONARD W. CAMPBELL.....Director.

Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.

71. Noble WILLIAM H. MAYO.....Recorder.

Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Fla.

72. *Noble WM. A. MCLEAN.....Potentate.

Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.

73. Noble LOU BURT.....Potentate.
74. " CHAS. F. BECK.....Assistant Rabban.
75. " ED. R. HARRIS.....First Cer. Master.

*The Imperial Council.**Mount Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vt.*

76. Noble GEO. M. GOSS. First Cer. Master.

Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Ind.

77. Noble JOHN T. BRUSH. Potentate.
 78. " HENRY H. MCGAFFEY. Director.
 79. " JOSEPH W. SMITH. Recorder.

Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y.

80. Noble HENRY STOWELL. Past Potentate.
 81. " WILLIAM FINDER, JR. Potentate.
 82. " HENRY SCHNEIDER. Member.

Osiris Temple, Wheeling, W. Va.

83. *Noble ALFRED PAULL. Past Potentate.

Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn.

84. Noble WM. H. S. WRIGHT. Past Potentate.
 85. " GEORGE R. METCALF. Past Potentate.
 86. " OSCAR M. METCALF. Potentate.

Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I.

87. Noble JOHN S. ROGERS. Oriental Guide.
 88. " HORACE K. BLANCHARD. Potentate.

Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.

89. *Noble JULIUS W. KNOWLTON. Past Potentate.
 90. " THADDEUS B. BEECHER. Potentate.
 91. * " HENRY SETZER, JR. Member.
 92. * " GEORGE B. BUNNELL. Member.

Rameses Temple, Toronto, Canada.

93. *Noble HENRY ARDAGH COLLINS. Potentate.

Sahara Temple, Pine Bluff, Ark.

94. Noble FRANK SILVERMAN. Assistant Rabban.

Salaam Temple, Olney, Ill.

95. *Noble WILLIAM F. BECK. Past Potentate.

Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich.

96. *Noble SAMUEL E. WATSON. Recorder.
 97. " GEORGE F. BUSS. Potentate.

Sesostris Temple, Lincoln, Neb.

98. Noble JAMES TYLER. Potentate.

Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa.

- 99. Noble THOMAS J. HUDSON.....Potentate.
- 100. " WM. S. BROWN.....Oriental Guide.
- 101. " A. V. HOLMES.....Assistant Rabban.
- 102. " JAMES KERR, JR.....Director.

Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio.

- 103. Noble WILLIAM B. MELISH.....Potentate.
- 104. " WILLIAM MICHIE.....Director.
- 105. " CHAS. H. FISK.....Assistant Rabban.

Tangier Temple, Omaha, Neb.

- 106. Noble GUSTAVE ANDERSON.....Past Potentate.
- 107. " HENRY C. AKIN.....Potentate.
- 108. " RICHARD SMITH.....Member.

Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.

- 109. *Noble GEO. N. WISWELL.....Oriental Guide.
- 110. " WILLIAM H. BRAZIER.....Trustee.
- 111. * " LUTHER L. CAUFY.....Chief Rabban.

Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Ga.

- 112. *Noble H. C. STOCKDELL.....Potentate.

Zamora Temple, Birmingham, Ala.

- 113. Noble BEN. M. JACOBS.....Recorder.

Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y.

- 114. Noble JOHN W. BOYLE.....Potentate.
- 115. " HERBERT E. STONE.....Member.
- 116. " JOHN B. JONES.....Member.

Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.

- 117. Noble JOSEPH L. DOBBIN.....Potentate.

Credentials from the following Temples are not in due form:

Alhambra Temple, A. N. Sloan, lacking the signature of the Potentate.
 El Kalah Temple, Samuel McDowell, lacking the seal of the Temple.
 Credentials have also been received in due form from Kora Temple, U. D.,
 certifying the election of Francis T. Faulkner as Representative.

The committee makes no recommendation in these cases.

In the case of Moila Temple, Dr. Maurice L. Steiner, the regularly elected
 Representative, indorses upon his credentials the appointment, by himself, of
 Noble E. O. Wild as his proxy.

The committee makes no recommendation in this matter, but leaves its

decision to the judgment of the Imperial Council. While no other official documents of this character have been presented to the committee, it is nevertheless a fact that there are other similar cases where representatives are unable to be present, and desire to telegraph appointment of proxies. We think the decisions of such questions as these are outside of the jurisdiction of the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS P. ECKER,
GEORGE H. WALKER,
GUSTAVE ANDERSON,
LOU BURT,
DWIGHT BYINGTON,

Committee.

On motion, the report of the Committee was received and adopted, the credentials lacking the seal of the Temple were accepted, but all others acting in the position of proxies were not accepted, owing to the fact that the Imperial Potentate announced that the Constitution does not provide for proxy representation.

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT.

Of the above list of Representatives, duly accredited, those marked with an asterisk were absent, numbering twenty-three (23.)

The rest of the Representatives were present, numbering ninety-four (94).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws presented the following report:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws beg leave to make a partial report of the matters referred to them, as follows:

First. In regard to the changes in the Constitution and By-Laws, proposed at the last annual session and laid over until the present session, we find the following:

(From Proceedings of 1891, page 44.) To substitute the following for Article III, Section 1, "Representatives to the Imperial Council shall be apportioned as follows: To every Temple working by authority of a charter granted by this Imperial Council there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be allowed two Representatives when its membership reaches three hundred; three Representatives when its membership reaches six hundred, and four Representatives when its membership reaches nine hundred; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

We recommend the adoption of the above.

Second. To change Article XIII, Section 2, by inserting the following at the end of the first sentence of said section: "In each State and Territory within the United States where three or more Temples of the Order

exist, no charter or dispensation shall be granted. Should any Temple of the Order have its charter recalled by action of the Imperial Council, no new charter can be granted, provided there be remaining three Temples of the Order within such State or Territory."

Adoption of the report recommended, with the addition of the words "except by action of the Imperial Council" after the word "granted," also the same addition after the word "Territory" at the end of the sentence.

Third. To add to Article XXX, Section 1, the following as the first sentence of Section 1: "Any person applying for degrees to any Temple shall be an actual resident of the jurisdiction of the Temple to which he applies for at least six months."

Recommended the adoption of the above.

Fourth. We submit the following proposed change in Article XV, viz: "The initiation fee, in place of twenty-five dollars, will be fifty dollars," without comment, thinking it a question which should have careful consideration and a full discussion by the Imperial Council.

Fifth. The proposed amendment to Article XXV, Section 1, changing the number of black balls necessary to reject a candidate from one to three is contained in the following resolution, presented at the session of 1891: "*Resolved*, That a man who has been subjected to the rigid scrutiny pertaining to the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Commandery, or of the Scottish Rite Degrees, is entitled to be protected, on application to the Shrine, from the ignominy of rejection by a single vote, which may be cast under erroneous impressions, or at times in malice, and it shall therefore require three black balls to reject an applicant hereafter." Should the Imperial Council decide to make the change, it must be made by the adoption of the following: To change Article XXV, Section 1, by striking out the words "a black ball," in the second and third lines, and insert in lieu thereof "three black balls;" also to change Section 2 of the same Article by striking out the words "black ball," in the fourth line, and insert instead the word "ballot."

In regard to these changes the Committee simply point out the way in which this change may be legally made, and leave the question as to whether it shall be made to the Imperial Council.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM B. MELISH,
JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
WILLIAM H. MAYO,
CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
LAWRENCE M. KNEFFLY,

Committee.

On motion the different sections of the report were considered separately and with the following result:

Noble J. T. Brush offered the following as a substitute for Section *First*. 'Representatives to the Imperial Council shall be elected as follows: To every Temple working by authority of a Charter granted by this Imperial

Council, there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be entitled to two Representatives when its membership reaches three hundred, and one additional Representative for each additional membership of three hundred."

The question being upon the adoption of the substitute, it was declared lost. It was then moved and seconded that Section *First* of the Committee's report be adopted. The vote standing 40 for adoption and 39 against, the Imperial Potentate decided the proposed substitute to be rejected, a two-thirds vote of those present being necessary to adopt the proposed change in the Constitution.

Section *Second* was amended by striking out "three or more Temples," and inserting "two or more Temples." It was then adopted with the changes suggested by the Committee by the necessary two-thirds vote, the vote standing 60 to 29.

Section *Third* was adopted by a two-thirds vote.

Section *Fourth* was rejected by a nearly unanimous vote.

Section *Fifth* was then considered. Noble B. W. Rowell moved the indefinite postponement of the consideration of the amendment; the motion was lost.

Noble Chas. L. Field moved "to amend Article XXV, Section 1, of the Constitution, in accordance with the suggestion of the Committee. The motion was seconded and adopted by a two-thirds vote.

Noble J. L. Dobbin moved a reconsideration of Section *First* of the report of the Committee. A reconsideration was ordered and the proposed substitute for Article III, Section 1, again rejected.

The report of the Committee, as amended, with the exception of Sections *First* and *Fourth*, rejected, was then adopted as a whole by more than a two-thirds vote of the Imperial Council.

The Imperial Council then adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

AUGUST 15, 1892.

The Imperial Potentate called the Imperial Council to order, and the business of the session was again taken up.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence reported as follows:

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council :

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence regret that they have not the usual letters and communications from Illustrious John Worthington, our zealous and indefatigable correspondent, and Deputy Representative of the

Temples in the east, stationed at Malta. The delay is unaccountable, as our correspondent is very prompt and faithful to his duty, as the records of the past year bear ample evidence.

Your committee recommend that an appropriation of five hundred dollars be made for the purpose of entertaining visiting Nobles on their way to Jerusalem and other places of equal interest. It sometimes happens that these wandering sons of the desert are overcome by sickness and have to rest awhile in the tent of our illustrious associate, and he is also called upon to provide entertainment in the name of this Council. He should be furnished with means for that purpose, as his own salary is not adequate to meet these extra demands upon it. It is but a short time ago that a Noble had to rest by the wayside by reason of illness. He found a hospitable welcome within the sheltering dome of our representative and was soon enabled to continue his journey. The necessity for such an appropriation is evident to all the committee, and the committee believe that the Imperial Council desires that the grand principles of our Order find a full exemplification in the land which gave it birth, and in no way can this be better done, than by providing rest and shelter for the wandering Arab. The committee would recommend that this appropriation be placed at the disposal of the Imperial Potentate.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. HUDSON,
WILLIAM A. STILES,
JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
GEORGE W. MILLAR,
LEONARD W. CAMPBELL,
JOSEPH W. SMITH,
HORACE W. HUBBARD,

Committee.

Noble J. L. Dobbin moved the adoption of the report.

Noble B. W. Rowell moved as an amendment that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

The amendment was seconded and carried.

ELECTION OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

The election of the Imperial Officers for the ensuing year was declared in order, and the representatives were formally summoned to assemble and take their seats.

REPRESENTATIVES.

The roll of the Representatives was called, and the ninety-four Representatives present, as noted in the report of the Committee on Credentials, duly assembled and took their seats.

TELLERS.

The Imperial Potentate appointed as tellers Nobles George H. Walker, Leonard W. Campbell and Charles L. Field.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Noble WILLIAM B. MELISH Imperial Potentate.
 " THOMAS J. HUDSON..... Imperial Deputy Potentate.
 " CHARLES L. FIELD..... Imperial Chief Rabban.
 " FRANK LOCKE Imperial Assistant Rabban.

After the election of the Imperial Assistant Rabban, the Imperial Council was, upon motion of Noble H. C. Akin, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., on August 16, 1892.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

OMAHA, NEB., August 16, 1892.

Promptly at 10 o'clock, A. M., the Imperial Potentate called the Imperial Council to order, all of the Representatives being present.

The annual election of officers was continued with the following result:

Noble JOHN T. BRUSH Imperial High Priest and Prophet.
 " LOU BURT Imperial Oriental Guide.
 " JOSEPH S. WRIGHT Imperial Treasurer.
 " FRANK M. LUCE Imperial Recorder.
 " LOUIS P. ECKER..... Imperial First Ceremonial Master.
 " RUFUS E. FLEMING..... Imperial Second Ceremonial Master.
 " THOMAS J. BISHOP..... Imperial Marshal.
 " GUSTAVE ANDERSON..... Imperial Captain of the Guard.
 " HENRY M. SPALDING..... Imperial Outer Guard.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts presented the following report:

OMAHA, NEBRASKA, August 15, 1892.

To the Imperial Potentate and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Committee on Finance and Accounts would respectfully report that they have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Imperial Treasurer and Recorder and find them correct, together with the vouchers properly audited by your committee for all payments made by them, but that such bills must be approved by the Imperial Potentate.

We find the amount of cash in the hands of the Treasurer, as per his report, to be \$16,571.42.

We find that owing to the rapid increase of membership in our Order during the past year the expenses in the Imperial Recorder's office have increased in proportion and that the sum of one thousand dollars, appropriated for salary and office expenses, has not been sufficient to reimburse him for the

money actually paid out by him. We therefore recommend that an additional one thousand dollars be allowed him for the past year.

Your committee would also recommend that the salary be placed at two thousand dollars for the ensuing year, the said sum to be in full compensation of the Imperial Recorder, including office rent and all office expenses.

We would recommend that five hundred copies of the Proceedings of the meeting be published, and distributed to the officers of subordinate Temples. The committee recommend that the standing resolution in regard to mileage and per diem be amended and changed to read "five cents per mile each way traveled," in lieu of "three cents," and ten dollars a day for two days; in lieu of five dollars per day for three days.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. HUDSON,
HORACE W. HUBBARD,
GEORGE W. MILLAR,
JOSEPH W. SMITH,
WILLIAM A. STILES,

Committee.

On motion the report was received, the recommendations approved and the report adopted unanimously.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals presented the following report:

OMAHA, Aug. 16, 1892.

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals beg leave to report that the only matters which have been brought before the committee are charges against Ill. Noble Winsor, and also against El Riad Temple, for conferring the degrees upon Knights Templar residing within the jurisdiction of Zuhrah Temple. The charges being made by Illustrious Potentate Dobbin, of Zuhrah Temple.

Noble Dobbin of Zuhrah Temple, Noble Winsor of El Riad and Noble Metcalf of Osman appeared before the committee, all being present at the same time. The statements were freely and cheerfully made. This Committee find that after some conversation had between Noble Winsor and Noble Metcalf, the former was irregularly allowed to confer the degrees upon five candidates residing within twenty-five miles of Iowa Falls and some two hundred and forty miles equally distant from St. Paul and Minneapolis.

The candidates were thereupon regularly elected and present to receive the degrees. During the day a protest was received from Noble Metcalf. Noble Winsor in view of the consultation had with Noble Metcalf, and with the knowledge that the Knights elected were present, consented to assume the responsibility of conferring the degrees and did so. He immediately transmitted the full fees to Osman Temple, and in addition paid the dues for the Imperial Council and afterwards received full receipt from Osman Temple.

The charge, however, came from Zuhrah Temple, and your committee finds that the entire trouble arises from the fact that Osman and Zuhrah have concurrent jurisdiction, and the latter Temple was not considered. Noble Winsor says that he presumed that Osman Temple had full jurisdiction, and admits his carelessness in this matter.

While your committee does not for one moment believe that any pecuniary consideration has influenced Noble Dobbin in presenting the charge, it is only fair to Zuhrah that Osman should transmit to the former one-half the fees secured from El Riad on the five candidates initiated by that Temple. Your committee does not feel that Illustrious Potentate Winsor should alone be censured. It appears from the statement of both Noble Winsor and Noble Metcalf that the latter was too liberal in his views, considering that Zuhrah had equal jurisdiction. He knew of the concurrent jurisdiction, but it does not appear that he informed Noble Winsor that it would also be necessary to get the consent of Zuhrah Temple.

Your committee has year after year examined into complaints of this character, and desire now to make a specific recommendation.

In order that no Temple or Potentate may in future plead ignorance of Art. XIV, Sec. 2, and in order that a suitable punishment may be inflicted for the violation of the above section, we recommend that it shall be the duty of the Imperial Potentate to revoke the Charter of any Temple violating the provision of the section referred to until the next meeting of the Imperial Council.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
EDWARD C. CULP,
RUFUS E. FLEMING,
CHARLES L. FIELD,

Committee.

Sec. 2, of Article XIV, mentioned in connection with this report reads as follows:

"SECTION 2.—A Temple shall not act upon a petition for initiation or membership of any one residing within the jurisdiction of another Temple, without first obtaining permission of such Temple. It shall be competent in such cases for a Temple to waive its jurisdiction, and permit another Temple to receive as a member, or confer the Order upon one residing within its jurisdiction; and such authority shall be given only under the seal of the

Temple so granting it. Temples having concurrent jurisdiction must notify each other of all petitions received."

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted.

Noble Metcalf moved as an amendment that the words of censure regarding Osman Temple be stricken out.

Seconded and carried.

Noble Winsor moved that the words of censure regarding El Riad Temple be stricken from the report.

Seconded and lost.

On motion the report as amended was adopted.

Noble Jas. McGee offered the following preamble and resolution:

"WHEREAS, under the present regulations of this Imperial Council, no provision is made for the purpose of opening and closing the sessions of this body with prayer, although there is a High Priest and Prophet provided for that position, which has and probably will continue to be filled by a layman, and

"WHEREAS, All other Grand Bodies are opened and closed with prayer by a regularly ordained minister of the Gospel; be it therefore

Resolved, That the office of Imperial Prelate, or Praying Dervish be, and the same is hereby created, the same to be an appointive office by this Imperial Council, with mileage and *per diem* the same as allowed Representatives, without vote."

The Potentate announced that the resolution provided for a change in the officers named in the Constitution, and that it must be presented in the shape of an amendment to the same.

Noble McGee then moved the adoption of the following:

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

To amend Section 1, of Article IV, by adding a new office to be known as "The Imperial Chaplain," also by the adding of the words in the proper places, "except the offices of Imperial Chaplain and Assistant Outer Guard, both of which shall be filled by appointment by the imperial Potentate."

On motion of Noble DeWitt the matter was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

TIME OF NEXT ANNUAL SESSION.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to select the time and place of the next meeting.

The Imperial Potentate appointed as said committee: Nobles Harris, Anderson, Eakins, Allen and Winsor.

INVITATIONS FOR NEXT ANNUAL SESSION.

NOBLE FISK, in connection with the appointment of this committee, stated

that he was instructed by the Nobility in the Oasis of Cincinnati, to ask that the next meeting of the Imperial Council be held at that city.

The following invitation from El Kalah Temple was, on motion, received and referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

At a regular session of El Kalah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Salt Lake City, Utah, held on the 13th day of July, 1892, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That El Kalah Temple extends to the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S. for North America, an earnest and hearty invitation to hold the next session at Salt Lake City, Utah, and that Noble S. McDowall, our Representative, is hereby instructed and directed to urge upon the Imperial Council an acceptance of this invitation."

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of the original resolution as passed.

G. S. CLARK,
Recorder.

[SEAL.]

LOCATION AND TIME OF NEXT ANNUAL IMPERIAL COUNCIL MEETING.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

The Committee on Time and Place of Meeting, presented the following report:

Your committee, to whom was referred the time and place to hold the Imperial Council Session next year, beg leave to report Cincinnati as the place, and the second Tuesday in June as the time.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. HARRIS,
JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
ETHELBERT F. ALLEN,
GUSTAVE ANDERSON,
CURTIS H. WINSOR,
Committee.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

Noble Hudson, of the Committee on Finance and Accounts, presented the following report:

The Committee on Finance and Accounts recommend that the official stenographer, Frank T. Haggerty, be paid for his services at this session of the Imperial Council the sum of seventy-five dollars, and mileage to and from Buffalo, N. Y.

THOMAS J. HUDSON,
HORACE W. HUBBARD,
GEORGE W. MILLAR,
JOSEPH W. SMITH,
WILLIAM A. STILES,
Committee.

Adopted as read.

Noble Hudson, of the Committee on Finance and Accounts, reported that the recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence in regard to the \$500 to be appropriated for the use of Noble Worthington, representative of Temples in the East, had been approved by the committee.

Report received and adopted by a two-thirds vote.

Noble Hudson, of the Committee on Finance and Accounts, stated that the committee desired to amend their report, in reference to the approval of the bills of the Imperial Council by the Committee on Finance and Accounts, by recommending that it is unnecessary for the bills to be approved individually by the committee, but that they must be approved by the Imperial Potentate.

Moved and seconded that the same be received and adopted as a part of the original report.

Adopted.

Noble Dobbin, of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, presented the following report:

OMAHA, August 15, 1892.

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, to whom was referred the proposed By-Laws of

Kaaba Temple.....	Davenport, Iowa,
Al Koran Temple.....	Cleveland, Ohio,
Al Chymia Temple.....	Memphis, Tenn.,
Algeria Temple.....	Helena, Montana,
El Kalah Temple.....	Salt Lake City, Utah,
Hamasa Temple.....	Meridian, Miss.,
Pyramid Temple.....	Bridgeport, Conn.,

have examined the same, and, with some minor changes noted by the Committee on the By-Laws, have found them to be correct. We recommend them for the approval of the Imperial Council, and adoption by the Temples named when the changes indicated are made.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. B. MELISH,
JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
WM. H. MAYO,
CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
L. M. KNEFFLY,

Committee.

Report adopted as read.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE.

By the Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives, the following report was presented:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives of the Imperial

Council beg leave to recommend that the Representatives to the Imperial Council be paid mileage at the rate of five cents per mile each way traveled, computed by the shortest railroad route, and that they be allowed *per diem* for two days at the rate of ten dollars a day.

The committee also report that, in cases where the amount of receipts from the Temples for the past year is less than the amount of mileage for their Representatives, the latter amount was limited to the receipts from such Temples for the past year.

The committee therefore recommend that the amounts set opposite to the names of the Representatives and Officers be paid, as follows:

Noble Dwight Byington.....	Abdallah Temple, \$	38 80
" Louis P. Ecker.....	Acca "	102 00
" W. G. Rowland.....	Affi "	94 00
" Thomas Waterman.....	Aleppo "	174 10
" James A. Fox.....	" "	174 10
" Benjamin W. Rowell.....	" "	174 10
" Frank Locke.....	" "	174 10
" Richard Lockey.....	Algeria "	94 00
" A. N. Sloan.....	Alhambra "	113 10
" Sam Briggs.....	Al Koran "	74 34
" N. S. Harris.....	" "	74 33
" Horace W. Hubbard.....	" "	74 33
" J. M. Johnston.....	Al Malaikah "	106 00
" George H. Walker.....	Almas "	125 00
" Harrison Dingman.....	" "	125 00
" Ethelbert F. Allen.....	Ararat "	40 20
" I. C. Hubbell.....	" "	40 20
" C. A. Hibbard.....	" "	40 20
" Charles S. Morse.....	Ben Hur "	127 60
" William C. Nickum.....	Boumi "	62 00
" Thomas J. Bishop.....	Cyprus "	126 00
" George F. Loder.....	Damascus "	131 80
" Albert B. McGaffey.....	El Jebel "	77 00
" Cyrus W. Eaton.....	El Kahir "	47 50
" Edward I. Foster.....	" "	47 50
" Samuel McDowall.....	El Kalah "	48 00
" C. H. Winsor.....	El Riad "	42 50
" Rufus E. Fleming.....	El Zagal "	82 00
" Joseph Knight Ashby.....	Hella "	68 67
" Lawrence M. Knepfly.....	" "	68 67
" Henry M. Spalding.....	" "	68 66
" Edward C. Culp.....	Isis "	45 50
" Oscar Seitz.....	" "	45 50
" Jacob De Witt.....	" "	45 50

Noble Charles L. Field.....	Islam Temple,	\$172 00
" Charles W. Cushman.....	Ismailia	" 99 33
" Frank T. Gilbert.....	"	" 99 33
" George L. Brown.....	"	" 99 34
" Clark L. Richards.....	Kaaba	" 52 20
" John Hoyt.....	"	" 52 20
" Wilbur F. Fidler.....	"	" 52 20
" Wayland Trask.....	Kismet	" 56 00
" Edwin A. Thrall.....	"	" 56 00
" C. E. Stump.....	"	" 56 00
" William Ryan.....	Kosair	" 59 00
" Joseph S. Wright.....	Lu Lu	" 152 50
" Edward B. Jordan.....	"	" 152 50
" Frederick Leibbrandt.....	"	" 152 50
" Charles Cary.....	"	" 152 50
" George W. Millar.....	Mecca	" 158 30
" James McGee.....	"	" 158 30
" Joseph B. Eakins.....	"	" 158 30
" S. R. Ellison.....	"	" 158 30
" Danford G. Eggleston.....	Media	" 130 00
" John A. May.....	Medinah	" 69 20
" William A. Stiles.....	"	" 69 20
" Frank M. Luce.....	"	" 69 20
" Leonard W. Campbell.....	"	" 69 20
" William H. Mayo.....	Moolah	" 65 70
" Lou Burt.....	Moslem	" 98 50
" Chas. F. Beck.....	"	" 98 50
" Ed. R. Harris.....	"	" 98 50
" G. M. Goss.....	Mount Sinai	" 84 00
" John T. Brush.....	Murat	" 79 33
" Henry H. McGaffey.....	"	" 79 33
" Joseph W. Smith.....	"	" 79 34
" Henry Stowell.....	Oriental	" 44 66
" William Finder, Jr.....	"	" 44 67
" Henry Schneider.....	"	" 44 67
" Oscar M. Metcalf.....	Osman	" 57 20
" Wm. H. S. Wright.....	"	" 57 20
" George R. Metcalf.....	"	" 57 20
" George H. Burnham.....	Palestine	" 82 00
" J. S. Rogers.....	"	" 82 00
" Thaddeus B. Beecher.....	Pyramid	" 163 00
" Frank Silverman.....	Sahara	" 100 30
" George F. Buss.....	Saladin	" 88 50
" James Tyler.....	Sesostris	" 25 50
" Thomas J. Hudson.....	Syria	" 76 25

Noble James Kerr, Jr.....	Syria Temple, \$	76 25
“ A. V. Holmes.....	“ “	76 25
“ Wm. S. Brown.....	“ “	76 25
“ William B. Melish.....	Syrian “	76 67
“ Chas. H. Fisk.....	“ “	76 67
“ William Michie.....	“ “	76 66
“ Gustave Anderson.....	Tangier “	20 00
“ Richard Smith.....	“ “	20 00
“ Henry C. Akin.....	“ “	20 00
“ William H. Brazier.....	Tripoli “	77 60
“ Ben. M. Jacobs.....	Zamora “	60 00
“ John W. Boyle.....	Ziyara “	144 70
“ Herbert E. Stone.....	“ “	144 70
“ John B. Jones.....	“ “	144 70
“ Joseph L. Dobbin.....	Zuhrah “	58 20

Total mileage for 1892.....\$8,230 90

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,
OSCAR M. METCALF,
GEORGE F. LODER,

Committee.

On motion, the report was received, and the recommendations were adopted.

Noble Dobbin, of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, presented the following report:

OMAHA, August 15, 1892.

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your committee beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Imperial Council, as contained in the Annual Call, and that they recommend the same for approval and adoption.

Changes in the Constitution, Statutes and Regulations of the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, filed with the Imperial Recorder June 10th, 1892:

Section 2, Article III. To strike out the word “annually” in the second line.

Section 6, Article III. Change to read: “No Representative or Representatives, except Past Imperial Potentates, shall be entitled,” etc.

Section 1 of Article IV. Add the words, “all of whom must be Representatives of the Imperial Council.”

Section 3 of Article IV. Leave out the words, “on the first day of the annual session.”

Section 4 of Article V. Add the words, “He shall have a yearly contin-

gent fund, in such an amount as the Imperial Council may vote for each ensuing year, out of which all expenses of his office shall be defrayed."

Section 4 of Article VIII. Change the first three lines so as to read: "He shall make an annual report of his accounts, and also a summary of the returns of the subordinate temples, showing the number of the members of each," etc.

Section 1 of Article XI. Strike out the words "annually and before the reading of his address," and insert in place thereof, "at each session of the Imperial Council."

Section 3 of Article XI. Change so as to read: "They shall particularly examine the work and records of each Temple under dispensation and asking for a charter," etc.

Section 4 of Article XI. Strike out the words, "settle and balance the same."

Section 5 of Article XI. Change so as to make it read: "All matters of controversy, appeal or grievance, brought before the Imperial Council, shall be referred to this committee, whose duty it shall be to examine into the same and report their action thereon."

Section 1 of Article XII. Add the words, "The expenses incurred by deputies shall be paid by the Imperial Treasurer, when approved by the Imperial Potentate."

Section 7 of Article XIII. To substitute the word "was" for "is" in the sixth line of said section.

Article XIX. Add to the same: "The combining of the emblems of other secret orders or societies with the Jewel of the Shrine is deemed inappropriate, and is therefore prohibited. The wearing of the Fez and Jewel of the Order upon occasions other than meetings of Temples of the Arabic Order, or gatherings of Shriners under the authority of some legal body of the Order, is ill-advised, and Potentates are expected to prevent such action on the part of their members."

Article XXVI. Make the clause beginning, "The presiding officer" follow the first sentence of the section; also, add the following: "Any member may appeal from the decision of the Illustrious Potentate of the temple of which he is a member to the Imperial Potentate, whose decision shall stand until the same shall be revoked by the Imperial Council."

We further report that no new decisions were made during the year by the Imperial Potentate. The matters pertaining to actual residence of candidates (as presented in the Imperial Potentate's address) are already before the Imperial Council for action. Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM B. MELISH,
JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
WILLIAM H. MAYO,
CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
L. M. KNEPFLY,

Committee.

Report adopted as a whole, as read, by a two-thirds vote of the Council.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS.

The Committee on Dispensations and Charters presented the following report:

To the Imperial Potentate and Nobles of this Imperial Council:

Your Committee on Dispensations and Charters beg leave to submit the following report:

1. We would recommend that charters be granted to the following Temples now under dispensation:

Zem Zem Temple Erie, Pa.
 Kora Temple..... Lewiston, Me.
 Al Chymia Temple Memphis, Tenn.
 Ben Hur Temple Austin, Texas.
 El Kalah Temple..... Salt Lake City, Utah.

2. We recommend that the dispensation of Hamasa Temple at Meridian, Miss., be continued for another year.

3. Your committee recommends that a dispensation be granted to the following Temple:

Naja Temple, Deadwood, S. D.

4. Rajah Temple, of Reading, Pa., asked for a dispensation.

Noble H. P. Keiser appeared before the committee in favor of dispensation, and Noble Joseph S. Wright, of Lu Lu Temple, opposing the granting of a dispensation. All the arguments being heard both for and against, and after due deliberation, your committee would recommend that a dispensation be granted to Rajah Temple at Reading, Pa.

5. The application of certain Nobles at Topeka, Kansas, asking that a dispensation be granted for a Temple there. Noble J. S. Collins appearing before the committee for, and Noble Dwight Byington and E. C. Culp as opposing same.

In regard to the granting of a dispensation to these applicants, we refer the same to the Imperial Council for further consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES MCGEE,
 CLARK L. RICHARDS,
 WILLIAM RYAN,
 THOMAS J. BISHOP,
 JOHN A. MAY,

Committee.

The report was, on motion, considered by sections.

No. 1 was adopted by an unanimous vote.

No. 2 was adopted, as was also No. 3.

In regard to No. 4, Noble Jos. S. Wright moved that the recommendation of the Committee be rejected. The vote was taken and the amendment declared lost. On motion of Noble McGee the recommendation of the Committee in regard to Rajah Temple was adopted and the dispensation granted.

In considering No. 5, Noble E. C. Culp moved that further action of the petition from Topeka be postponed until the next annual meeting. The motion was adopted by a vote of 44 to 29. The report, as amended, was then adopted as read.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That all of the Representatives of Temples under Dispensation to which Charters have been issued be entitled to mileage and *per diem*.

Illustrious Noble Mayo, of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, to whom was referred the resolution to create the office of Imperial Prelate or praying Dervish, would respectfully report.

That Section 5 of Article IV of our Constitution fully provides for such office, and in all subordinate Temples said officer should and usually does perform all the duties pertaining to such office; it is, however, eminently proper for the Potentate of a subordinate Temple, or the Imperial Potentate of this Supreme Body, at the opening or closing of the same, to call upon or designate any regularly ordained minister of any recognized religion (a member of our Order), who may be present at the time, to invoke the Divine blessing upon and ask guidance in all our acts.

Courteously and faithfully submitted,

WM. B. MELISH,
JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
WM. H. MAYO,
CHAS. W. CUSHMAN,
L. M. KNEFFLY,

Committee.

RITUAL.

Noble Jno. W. Boyle, from the Committee on Ritual, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is deemed unwise to adopt the Ritual presented to this Imperial Council at its last annual session, and that the same is hereby reejected.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

Noble Walker presented the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Imperial Potentate be and he is hereby empowered to appoint a Committee on Ritual, said committee to consist of fifteen Representatives; also be it

Resolved, That said Committee shall meet in the City of Cincinnati two days prior to the next annual meeting, and shall present the result of their deliberations to the Imperial Council for its consideration at the first day of the next session; also be it

Resolved, That the Imperial Potentate shall be, *ex-officio*, the Chairman of the said committee, and shall have full authority to act in all matters pertaining to the assembling of the committee and the preparation of a standard Ritual.

Noble Jos. S. Wright moved as an amendment that the committee consist of a member from each State represented in this Imperial Council.

The resolution was then adopted, as amended.

Noble Brown presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Imperial Council adopt and furnish a badge to be worn by delegates to the Imperial Council when in session, and that the same be sent to the Potentates of each Temple by the Imperial Recorder each year preparatory to the meeting of the Imperial Council, the same to be delivered to the Representative by the Potentates.

Seconded and adopted.

Noble Hudson presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to propose a design for a Past Imperial Potentate jewel, and if the same be approved by the Imperial Potentate-elect, a jewel be purchased and presented to our retiring chief officer, Sam. Briggs.

The Imperial Potentate appointed Nobles Thos. J. Hudson, Ed. R. Harris and Jas. A. Fox, as said committee.

Noble Trask presented the following resolutions in behalf of the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, and moved their adoption.

WHEREAS, The office of Imperial Potentate has been filled for the past six years by Illustrious Sam. Briggs in a manner which has redounded to the honor of the Order, and to the credit of the Illustrious Noble; and

WHEREAS, the phenomenal growth and the present high standing of the Order, which will stand as a monument commemorating the labors of the past six years, are largely due to the indefatigable efforts and zealous labors, and suave, genial and open-hearted disposition of the Illustrious Noble; and

WHEREAS, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine are and should be ready at all times to acknowledge merit wherever it exists, and especially so when individual merit has advanced the welfare of our noble Order; therefore be it

Resolved, That an appropriation of \$2,500 be made from the Imperial Treasury to procure a fitting testimonial to Illustrious Sam. Briggs, which shall be to him a lasting reminder of the esteem and affection with which he is held by his brother Nobles of this Imperial Council.

Resolved, That with the adoption of this resolution the disposition of the appropriation be left with the Imperial Potentate, with power to make the same after consultation with the Illustrious Noble Briggs.

The motion was seconded and carried by a two-thirds vote.

Noble Knepfly presented the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Imperial Recorder be, and he is, hereby authorized to

place a suitable portrait of Imperial Potentate William B. Melish in the printed proceedings of this session, and draw upon the Imperial Treasurer for the amount necessary to procure the same.

Seconded and carried.

Noble Jordan presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Imperial Potentate be authorized to have 1,000 copies of the code printed as adopted.

On motion of Noble Harris it was

Resolved, That after the expenses of this meeting are paid, two-thirds of the funds remaining in the hands of the Imperial Treasurer shall be invested in interest-bearing securities by the Imperial Potentate, and that the same shall be placed in some safety deposit vault in the name of the Imperial body.

It was moved and seconded that the Imperial Potentate, Imperial Treasurer and Imperial Recorder be constituted a Board of Trustees to care for the funds and securities of the Imperial Council.

Carried.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred dollars be donated from the Treasury of the Imperial Council to Noble Joseph K. Ashby, and that this sum shall be placed in the hands of the Imperial Recorder and by him paid to Noble Ashby as his wants may require.

Seconded and carried.

THANKS TO TANGIER TEMPLE.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be extended to the members of Tangier Temple and the citizens of Omaha for their kindness to the members of the Imperial Council during their stay in the city.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Noble Frank M. Luce offered the following amendment to the constitution, which was received and ordered to lay over until next meeting:

Section I, Article III, now reads, "To every Temple working by authority of a Charter granted by this Imperial Council, there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be further entitled to one additional Representative for every three hundred members, or a fraction over three hundred members in its number of membership, but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives." To amend to read as follows: "To every Temple working by authority of a Charter granted by this Imperial Council there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be entitled to two Repre-

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sentatives when its membership reaches three hundred. Three Representatives when its membership reaches four hundred, and four Representatives when its membership reaches eight hundred, but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The officers elect were then installed by Imperial Potentate Sam. Briggs.

CLOSING OF IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

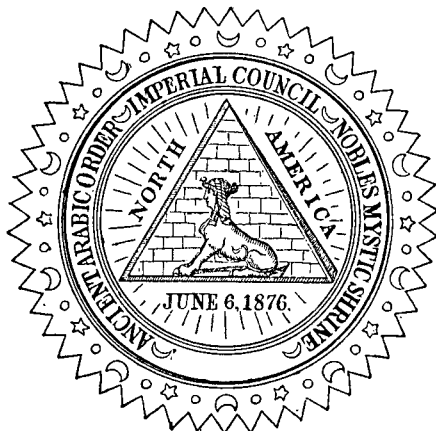
The Imperial Council, at 5 o'clock P. M., was closed in Ample Form, with due Invocation and Declaration.

PUBLICATION.

The Proceedings of the Eighteenth Session are hereby approved for publication.

W. B. Melish

Imperial Potentate.



Attest:

Frank M. [Signature]

Imperial Recorder.

ENTERED THE UNSEEN TEMPLE.

ADAMS, FRANK J.....	May 18, 1891	.....	ARARAT.
ALLEN, HORACE E.....	Nov.	"	ZIYARA.
APPLEBY, CHARLES.....	April 12,	"	MECCA.
ARMSTRONG, RICHARD.....	Sept. 15,	"	MECCA.
ARNOLD, ANDREW J.....	March 28,	"	MOSLEM.
AVERELL, LEONARD M.....	June 27,	"	ALEPPO.
BACON, A. S.....		"	ACCA.
BAILEY, JOSEPH M., JR.....		"	EL RIAD.
BEAN, E. L.....	April 22,	"	LU LU.
BEAN, HENRY D.....	Oct. 4,	"	MOUNT SINAI.
BANCROFT, GEORGE B.....	Nov. 16,	"	YAARAB.
BECKER, LOUIS.....	July 22,	"	BOUMI.
BECKER, EDGAR M.....	Dec. 30, 1890	.....	ARARAT.
BEMIS, M. MELVIN	Oct. 18, 1891	.....	MECCA.
BROCKWAY, C. L.....	Aug. 23,	"	PYRAMID.
BROWN, CHARLES W.....	May 19,	"	MECCA.
BREUNINGER, H. F.....	Dec. 4,	"	ALMAS.
BUTLER, T. W.....	Aug. 4,	"	ARARAT.
BOLSTER, GEORGE W.....	Jan. 5,	"	MECCA.
BOSTELMANN, WILLIAM H....	Oct. 29,	"	MECCA.
BOWEN, JAMES.....	Nov. 19,	"	MECCA.
BEECHER, JACKSON D.....	Sept. 8,	"	OSMAN.
BOURNE, CORNELIUS E.....		"	PALESTINE.
CAVNER, ALEXANDER R.....	Oct. 11,	"	MEDINAH.
CARPENTER, E. R. E.....	March 20,	"	ALGERIA.
CARPENTER, B. T.....	April 21,	"	ALMAS.
CARTER, JOHN F.....	Aug. 21,	"	ALEPPO.
CENTER, WILLIAM.....	Oct. 31,	"	ISLAM.
CHILDS, JACOB.....	March 19,	"	ALMAS.
CLAUSON, H. A.....	Aug. 7,	"	ISLAM.
CLARK, O. S.....	April 11,	"	ALEPPO.
CHAPMAN, ALFRED F.....	March 17,	"	ALEPPO.
COLE, CHARLES.....	Jan. 6,	"	LU LU.
CONNER, JOHN R.....	Jan. 19,	"	MECCA.
COOK, ADAM.....	July 17,	"	CYPRUS.
CONSIGNY, N. B.....	Oct. 2,	"	EL KAHIR.
COUGHRAN, SAMUEL.....		"	EL RIAD.

CHALMERS, JOHN.....	Dec. 20, 1891	ACCA.
CROSS, THOMAS B., JR.....	March 1,	“.....ALMAS.
CRONAN, THOMAS.....	“	“.....MECCA.
CORRELL, THOMAS R.....	July 29,	“.....SYRIA.
DAVIS, DANIEL N.....	“	“.....PALESTINE.
DEAN, CHARLES D.	Sept. 16,	“.....MECCA.
DISOSWAY, CORNELIUS D.....	Dec. 19,	“.....MECCA.
DECKER, THEODORE F.....	April 30,	“.....LU LU.
DEVEAN, EDWARD A.....	Oct. 23,	“.....KISMET.
DICKERSON, JOHN O.....	Feb. 23,	“.....MEDINAH.
DUNN, JOHN W.....	April 6,	“.....MEDINAH.
DOURIAN, JOSEPH A.....	June 14,	“.....MURAT.
DUXBURY, CHAS. R.....	Dec. 26,	“.....KISMET.
ESTERLE, H. T.....	July 1,	“.....KOSAIR.
EVANS, DAVID J.....	Sept. 7,	“.....ZIYARA.
EVANS, R. W.....	Nov. 7,	“.....ZIYARA.
EVERARD, JOHN R.....	Nov. 22,	“.....ZUHRRAH.
EMERSON, WILLIAM C.....	Oct. 8,	“.....ALEPPO.
FAULKNER, ALFRED B.....	June 26,	“.....KISMET.
FISHER, WILLIAM.....	Nov. 13,	“.....BOUMI.
FINZER, JOHN.....	Jan. 8,	“.....KOSAIR.
FLORENCE, WILLIAM J.....	Nov. 19,	“.....MECCA.
FRIED, JULIUS.....	Jan. 14,	“.....KISMET.
FULTON, WALTER.....	April 20,	“.....LU LU.
FOX, JOHN M.....	April 10,	“.....EL JEBEL.
FALES, JOHN R.....	“	“.....PALESTINE.
GALL, EDMUND F.....	April 18,	“.....MURAT.
GATES, EDWIN.....	June 1,	“.....KISMET.
GIBB, CORNELIUS S.....	May 19,	“.....MECCA.
GREGG, WILLIAM B.....	Nov. 17,	“.....MECCA.
GOUD, GEORGE L.....	Feb. 16,	“.....ISLAM.
GREENE, GEORGE F.....	Nov. 20,	“.....ORIENTAL.
GIBSON, HENRY B.....	March 7,	“.....SYRIAN.
GIBBS, WILLIAM M.....	Oct. 12,	“.....SYRIA.
GOODBRAKE, CHRISTOPHER.....	March 16,	“.....MEDINAH.
GRANT, P. S.....	Feb. 26,	“.....ACCA.
HALL, CHARLES.....	Nov. 11, 1890	EL KAHIR.
HAWORTH, WILLIAM R.....	Aug. 13, 1891	LU LU.
HAINES, PROVOST S.....	March 4,	“.....MECCA.
HATCH, ANDREW J.....	Oct. 11, 1890	MECCA.
HARWOOD, EDWARD C.....	Jan. 13, 1891	MECCA.
HANNA, BENJAMIN J. F.....	Dec. 6,	“.....ISIS.
HELD, LOUIS.....	“	“.....PYRAMID.
HILL, T. WILTON.....	Dec. 21,	“.....MECCA.

HASBURG, ANDREW.....	June 8, 1891	...AL KADER.
HEIGHT, E. G.....	Dec. 27,	"BOUMI.
HALL, W. B.....	Dec. 31,	"PYRAMID.
HOOPER, LEBAN S	Aug. 10,	" SYRIA.
HUNTER, JOHN R.....	Sept 18,	"SYRIA.
HOWLAND, DANIEL.....	July 1,	"PALESTINE.
HOLDAKOM, JOSEPH.....	March 30,	" LU LU.
HUNGERFORD, C. N.....	Jan. 18,	" MEDINAH.
INGLIS, ALEX.....	May 30,	"EL RIAD.
KALAKAHA, KING.....	Jan. 20,	" ISLAM.
KING, WILLIAM H.....	Dec. 22,	"CYPRUS.
KAMMERER, ANDREW.....	March 6,	"LU LU.
KRETZSCHMAR, PAUL H.....	April 27,	"MECCA.
KINNEAR, ALVIN L.....	Jan. 23,	" AFIFI.
LIGHTNER, CHARLES E.....	Sept. 3,	"OSMAN.
LOCKE, PUTNAM W.....	Nov. 22,	"OSMAN.
LOWE, HENRY.....	Jan. 15,	" MOUNT SINAI.
LOOMIS, PHILIP.....		" ... MEDINAH.
LEWIS, JAMES E.....	Nov. 3,	" ARARAT.
MADDEN, JOHN W.....	March 1,	" ... JERUSALEM.
MARDEN, STEPHEN J.....	March 22,	" MECCA.
MARSH, THOMAS J.....		"ALEPPO.
MAYNARD, WILLIAM H.....	May 26,	"ALEPPO.
MARTYN, F. G.....	Nov. 4,	" ALMAS.
MELLEY, PATRICK H.....	Jan. 24,	" MECCA.
MEADE, JESSE	Dec. 9,	" MEDINAH.
MELCHER, GEORGE W.....	Aug. 19,	" MEDINAH.
MILLIGAN, H. J.....	April 29,	" MEDINAH.
MILLER, JULIUS W.....	Aug. 1,	" ALEPPO.
MORSE, LYMAN.....	Feb. 12,	" ALEPPO.
MOORE, ALEXANDER.....	Jan. 24,	" LU LU.
MOORMAN, O. W.....	Sept. 21,	" MURAT.
MULLEN, DAVID.....	Jan. 12,	" LU LU.
MCCRACKEN, S. H.....	Jan. 5,	" MEDINAH.
McWILLIAMS, THOMAS.....	April 1,	" TRIPOLI.
McCAMMON, LEWIS H.....	Mar. 24,	"SYRIAN.
MYERS, HARRY C.....	Aug. 24,	" ORIENTAL.
NAYSON, CHARLES A.....	May 2,	" ALEPPO.
NORTH, CHARLES.....	Aug. 23,	" SYRIA.
NORTH, WALTER C.....	Sept. 6,	" ZIYARA.
NEEDHAM, CHARLES P.....	Nov. 1,	" ... TANGIER.
NEWHALL, GEORGE D.....		"SYRIAN.
NOBLE, FRANK W.....	Dec. 26,	" MOSLEM.
PARK, WILLIAM T.....	March 19,	"ALEPPO.

PARKMAN, WILLIAM.....	Dec. 26, 1891	ALEPPO.
PLAYTER, ARTHUR T.....	Sept. 12,	"ALGERIA.
PARKS, L.....	Jan. 12,	" ARARAT.
PEARCE, GEORGE.....	Feb. 21,	"KOSAIR.
PATTERTON, WILLIAM.....	April 15,	"MECCA.
PFINGST, GEORGE F.....	Oct. 28,	"MURAT.
PARDEE, DANIEL.....	June	" ZIYARA.
POMEROY, GEORGE H.....	Feb. 6,	" MOOLAH.
PLUMMER, CHARLES S.....	April 15,	" MECCA.
PORTER, B. C.....	Jan. 28,	"PYRAMID.
POLLARD, R. S.....	Sept. 19,	"PYRAMID.
PLYE, HUMPHREY A. L.....	May 20,	"LU LU.
PROTHEROE, JOHN T.....	Aug. 4,	"EL JEBEL.
REED, ISAAC N.....	Oct. 3,	" ARARAT.
RUSSELL, LEWIS B.....	Sept. 29,	"ALEPPO.
RIHBEIN, W. H.....	Jan. 17,	"BOUMI.
RONALDSON, A. O.....	Jan. 8,	"KISMET.
RUMMELL, FRANK H.....	Jan. 17,	"MECCA.
SCHNEIDER, CHRISTIAN.....	Aug. 5,	"MECCA.
SELLECK, N. B.....	Dec. 5,	"PYRAMID.
SINCLAIR, JOHN.....	July 8,	" RAMESES.
SIPE, C. A.....	Aug. 31,	"OSIRIS.
SHANNON, JAMES.....	April 30,	"ALMAS.
SHISLER, JOSEPHUS.....	Nov. 18,	"LU LU.
SOMERBY, SAMUEL E.....	June 19,	"ALEPPO.
SMITH, WILLIAM H.....	Feb. 23,	"KAABA.
SMILEY, SAMUEL.....	March 14,	"LU LU.
STANTON J. O.....	April 10,	"ALMAS.
STEIGER, CHARLES R.....	Aug. 10,	"ISMAILIA.
SHAW, CHARLES N.....	Jan. 27,	"ISLAM.
SMITH, HENRY B. L.....	Jan. 3,	"ORIENTAL.
STEFFIN, CHRISTIAN, Jr.....	Aug. 16,	"SYRIA.
SUMNER, S. B.....	Feb. 26,	"PYRAMID.
TAYLOR, WM. H. O.....	March 2,	"MECCA.
TRUMAN, MUNFORD M.....	Sept. 23,	"MECCA.
THOMAS, FRANK H.....	Dec. 29,	"ZIYARA.
THOMPSON, W. HALE.....	Nov. 19,	"MEDINAH.
TUFFLEY, GEORGE.....	Feb. 26,	"ISLAM.
UPMANN, HENRY E.....	June 4,	"LU LU.
VAUGHN, FRANK O.....	March 18,	"ISMAILIA.
VERNER, JAMES K.....	Jan. 14,	"SYRIA.
WEED, FRANK J.....	April,	"ARARAT.
WELLS, WILLIAM H.....	July 14,	"ISMAILIA.
WELTY, JOHN S.....	June 14,	"SYRIA.

WAINWRIGHT, SAMUEL J.....	July 5, 1891	.....	SYRIA.
WILLIAMS, THOMAS H.....	June 11,	"	SYRIA.
WHALEY, JOB W.....	Dec. 28,	"	...PALESTINE.
WHITNEY, C. E.....	Nov. 29,	"	ISLAM.
WARREN, DANIEL S.....	February	"	ALEPPO.
WHITE, GEORGE C.....	Sept. 12,	"	ACCA.
WHITTEN, D. FRANK.....	March 16,	"	ALEPPO.
WILEY, WIRT R.....	Dec. 29,	"	...BEN HUR.
WHITEM CHAS. T.....	Jan. 3,	"	MECCA.
WATERMAN, ROBERT H.....	March 31,	"	CYPRUS.
WUSTER, M. A.....	July 1,	"	BOUMI.
WYATT, G. D.....	Aug. 17,	"	...TANGIER.
WOODWORTH, T. J.....	May 16,	"	ARARAT.
WITHROW, DAVID M.....	Nov. 5,	"	...EL KAHIR.
ZENTMAYER, CHARLES.....	Jan. 17,	"	LU LU.

GLORY TO HIM

WHO TRANSPORTED HIS SERVANT TO THE UNSEEN TEMPLE !

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

MALTA, July 25, 1892.

To SAM. BRIGGS,

Imperial Potentate of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in the United States of America :

Es Selamu Aleikum.

Another year has rolled around and the summing up of the situation in this section of the Mystic Shrine's world may be condensed in the brief, but pregnant Arabic sentence of explanation, *El-hamdu lillâh, tayyib*, "All is well, thank God!"

The twelve months that have elapsed since my last annual report to your Imperial Council have been months of peace, prosperity and increase in all the Shrines that I have visited or heard from, under whatever designation they are known, in the various surrounding countries of which the Island of Malta is the geographical centre—the hub in the wheel, as it were. The spirit that used to dwell in the *Kashku*, a spirit that too often used to incite to blood through real or fancied grievances, has slept, in Egypt and elsewhere, and all has been peace. The soft wings of charity and helpfulness have fanned the brows of the suffering, and sturdy hands of emulation have improved and enhanced the beauty and integrity of our work wherever our altars have been set up. Only in Morocco, that land so superbly rich in natural beauty and commercial and agricultural possibilities, have dissension and bloodshed prevailed, whose evils and distress, however, I am proud to say, have been greatly mitigated and assuaged by Nobles of the Mystic Shrine whenever it has been possible for them to exercise their beneficent influence. In and around Fez they did good work, and many a wounded and dying *râgel* and *sâheb* of our Order blessed the stealthy hand that brought them help or comfort when help and comfort seemed utterly unattainable. In one rocky defile, near Fez, the life of a wounded *Askari*, who was serving in the body-guard of the Sultan, was saved by the attendance of a *sheikh el-beled* of the rebel forces. The latter spied the tiger crescent on the naked breast of the *Askari* and leaped from his steed to do him service. Both were Nobles—one belonging to the Shrine of *Gebel*, in Mogador, and one to the Shrine of *Zâtân*, in Tangiers. I am frequently hearing of such deeds as these, which were almost invariably inspired by the

fraternal bonds whose golden links were welded into the blessed "tie that binds" within the *mihrâb* of some humble *Bektash* or Shrine.

Since my return from my home in Cooperstown, N. Y., last October, I have visited eighteen Shrines within my "jurisdiction." I found each and all flourishing. The Nobles of the Shrine in the Balearic Islands have done wonders in recovering from the earthquake that smote them so severely, and now their temple, Al Koran, equals any temple in the western Mediterranean. Their new and costly appointments were brought from Cairo and Damascus. Their altar is made of the wine-colored wood of a sacred tree, whose roots had penetrated into and firmly clasped in their stamens the body of a warrior Sheikh as it lay in its tomb in a palm-surrounded oasis in the Libyan desert. Their prayer carpets are the choicest Persian manufacture, woven from the creamy wool of the goats of Kerman, which are erroneously believed to be extinct for the last hundred years. Their illuminated Koran is 900 years old, and is supported on a carob-wood stand, which is edged with pear-shaped pearls of illusive grey pink, and is frosted over with crushed diamonds inside and out. The Balearic Nobles have also accumulated the sum of 600,000 gold pesetas to be used in charity when occasion for charity arises.

I hear nothing but good from the *Bektash* in Greece. In Tunis and Algiers the Nobles exchange work in great harmony and to the mutual perfection of each.

I need not again dwell upon the loss to the Order in the East by the untimely death of Tewfik Pasha. Egypt lost one of her very best and noblest men when this good and honorable Khedive passed into the unseen temple. It will be many a long year before the Egyptians of all degrees—particularly those who are Shriners—cease to drop the tears of sincere regret and grateful memory upon his sacred *Kabr*. If Tewfik's son, Abbas, the present young Khedive, does half as well as his kind and noble father, he will still do well.

The shock that came to the Eastern Shrines through the death of Noble William J. Florence, of Mecca Temple, New York, was most profound and far reaching. It created a distinct sensation. He was well known throughout the immediate East, and was justly considered the great missionary of the Order in the Western Hemisphere. Without waiting for the official directions from the Great Sheikh at Mecca, the various Shrines, upon hearing the sad news, at once draped the temples and sorrowed as a family who had lost an affectionate brother. But not as we Christian Nobles so often sorrow, "as without hope." "It was written," they said, and in the name of the Merciful, the Compassionate, they consigned Effendi Florence's soul into the everlasting keeping of Allah, great Lord and Father of all good [*i. e.* Muslim] men.

Among the letters of condolence, written mainly in Arabic, that I have received from various shrines, I note briefly those from Ibrahim Soleiman Pasha, of Cairo; Saïd el-Gariani, of Alexandria; Abdel Rahman Alaili, of Kenah; Aly Aly el-Masri, of Sinai; Mahmoud Abon Husseni, of Sharkeyeh,

Ahmed el-Sabahi, of Garbeeyeh; El Said el-Feki, of Menorfeeyeh; Hasseni Emin, of Behera; Soui Mohamed, of Assiout; Hassancin Hamah, of Jaffa; Mohamed Edris, of Beyrout; Omar el-Hadini, of Stamboul; El-Fakir Ibrahim Ahmed, of Tunis; Ibrahim Habih, of Tripoli; Ibrahim Dabbous, of Damascus, and many others from individual Shriners in all parts of Southern Europe and Northern Africa.

To me, I may add, Noble Florence's death was a heavy blow. I had learned to lean on him in many vexing questions, and found him always full of resources and ready with elucidations. He was remarkably well informed on all matters pertaining to the history of the Shrine, and if ever I felt at loss, through imperfect education on the subject, Florence was ever prompt and willing to give me light and leading.

In many Shrines in the East the *Hashrīyeh* (that noble poem describing the last judgment) was chanted for Noble Florence's death, and appointed mourners incessantly repeated the well-known *bismillāh er-rahīmīr rah-mānī*—"In the name of God, the merciful," etc. Splendid, generous, unselfish Florence. May his soul rest in peace. His rich and wide *humanity* made his heavenly inheritance a certainty.

I have had the pleasure of meeting a greater number of American Shriners in Malta in the last twelve months than in any former year. They were from New York, Washington, Richmond, Chicago, Denver, San Francisco, Detroit, Fargo and other widely separated places. I did what I could to entertain and interest them. I find it a peculiar pleasure and satisfaction to meet American Nobles abroad. The *Es Selamu Aleikum* greeting has a wonderfully winning friendliness in it. It seems to carry a certain, roseate shade of meaning that no other salutation imparts.

The cordial effects of its utterance is instantaneous. Further introductions and explanations are superfluous. More than that, it breeds the happiest and easiest and most elastic friendship and confidence at once. I never want to see the certificate or passport (so to speak) of a visiting Noble. I only want him to show his claws (as it were) and murmur the *Es Selamu Aleikum* legend. That done, unbridled fraternity and the pleasantest intercourse follow as the sparks fly upward! As I write, I recall the late visit of General John Corson Smith, ex-Lieutenant Governor of Illinois, a fighting patriot of the late war for the Union, and a present member of Medinah Temple in Chicago. He and his agreeable daughter were on their way to Egypt, Palestine and Turkey. He bore a letter of introduction from Imperial Recorder, Noble Frank M. Luce, and he wore the crescent. He arrived in Malta ill, but he departed as right as a trivet. He came here intending to stop three days, but he remained a fortnight. Even then he was loath to go away. The Christian and the Moslem Knights of Malta were too delighted at his visit to let him leave before they had got to know him well and esteem him highly. I know the General enjoyed his all-too-brief stay here, for a letter lies before me now, written after he had completed his grand tour, and was to sail in an hour from Liverpool for his home in the land

he loved and fought for, and in this letter he says: "Believe me, Worthington, the brightest and happiest memory of my travels is the one connected with my visit in Malta. I shall never forget it. It alone was enough to cross the seas to experience. In the language of our Arab brothers, 'May you never know grief.'"

I feel that I need not in this communication go into the details of my various Shrine visitations. Suffice it for me to simply assure you that the Order in the East is as solid as the great pyramid, and as flourishing as the date palms of Rephidim. Wherever the Mystic Shrine exists, there charity, good fellowship and joyous brotherhood obtains. As we look up to heaven through the dome of a Shrine Temple the faithful Shriner sees that God and Allah are one and the same Great Architect of the Universe.

"When Cross and Crescent make one gem,
Comes peace on earth, and not till then."

I have the honor to be, Illustrious Sir and Brother,

Faithfully yours,

JOHN WORTHINGTON,

Deputy and Representative of the Imperial Council

at Malta, Mediterranean Sea.

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76. Melish, William B.....181 Walnut St., Cincinnati, O.
77. Metcalf, George R.....110 W. Fourth St., St. Paul, Minn.
78. Metcalf, Oscar M.....Germania Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.
79. Michie, William.....178 W. Fourth St., Cincinnati, O.
80. Millar, George W.....64 Duane St., New York, N. Y.
81. Morse, Charles S.....Austin, Texas.
82. Nickum, William C.....915 Fort Ave., Baltimore, Md.
83. Paull, Alfred.....1160 Main St., Wheeling, W. Va.
84. Patton, Thomas McF.....Portland, O.
85. Richards, Clark L.....Davenport, Iowa.

86. Rogers, John S. Providence, R. I.
87. Rowell, Benjamin W. 28 School St., Boston, Mass.
88. Rowland, Wm. G. Tacoma, Wash.
89. Rundle, Nathan B. Spokane, Wash.
90. Ryan, William. 610 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky.
91. Schneider, Henry. Troy, N. Y.
92. Seitz, Oscar. Salina, Kansas.
93. Setzer, Henry, Jr. 126 E. Washington Ave., Bridgeport, Conn.
94. Sherman, B. R. Waterloo, Iowa.
95. Silverman, Frank. Pine Bluff, Ark.
96. Sloan, A. N. Chattanooga, Tenn.
97. Smallshaf, G. Meridian, Miss.
98. Smith, Joseph W. 4 Ingall's Block, Indianapolis, Ind.
99. Smith, Richard. New York Life Bldg., Omaha, Neb.
100. Spalding, Henry M. Denison, Texas.
101. Stevens, Alexander Albuquerque, N. M.
102. Steiner, Maurice W. Sixth and Francis Sts., St. Joseph, Mo.
103. Stiles, William A. 125 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.
104. Stockdell, H. C. P. O. Box 473, Atlanta, Ga.
105. Stone, Herbert E. Binghamton, N. Y.
106. Stowell, Henry. 5 Cannon Place, Troy, N. Y.
107. Stump, C. E. Pulitzer Bldg., New York, N. Y.
108. Thrall, Edwin A. 3 Maiden Lane, New York, N. Y.
109. Trask, Wayland. 18 Wall St., New York, N. Y.
110. Tyler, James. 111 N. Ninth St., Lincoln, Neb.
111. Waterman, Thomas. Hotel Ilkley, Boston, Mass.
112. Watson, Samuel E. Blodgett Bldg., Grand Rapids, Mich.
113. Walker, George H. P. O. Box 22, Washington, D. C.
114. Whiting, W. H. Rochester, N. Y.
115. Winsor, Curtis H. Sioux Falls, S. D.
116. Wiswell, George N. 682 Van Buren St., Milwaukee, Wis.
117. Wood, Leonard C. 507 E St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
118. Wright, Wm. H. S. St. Paul, Minn.
119. Wright, Joseph S. Terminal Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.

REPRESENTATIVE AD VITAM.

75. Fleming, Walter M. 240 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

EMERITUS MEMBERS.

1. Rawson, Albert L. New York, N. Y.
2. Torrey, Charles W. New York, N. Y.
3. Tyler, George O. Burlington, Vt.
4. McClenachan, Charles T. New York, N. Y.

TEMPLES UNDER THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

OFFICERS FOR 1892.

1.—ABDALLAH TEMPLE, LEAVENWORTH, KAN.

John H. Atwood (400 Delaware St.)	Potentate.
Alfred B. Keller	Chief Rabban.
Clarence C. Goodard	Assistant Rabban.
Edward W. Osgood	High Priest and Prophet.
John M. Laing	Oriental Guide.
Elmore W. Snyder	Treasurer.
Dwight Byington (418 Pine St.)	Recorder.
Frank E. Collis	First Cer. Master.
Henry Sellers	Second Cer. Master.
Henry C. F. Hackbusch	Marshal.
Frank O'Donnell	Captain of Guard.
Thomas E. Conklin	Outer Guard.
Frank S. Hastings	Director.

Founded March 28, 1887.—Number of Members, 237.

2.—ACCA TEMPLE, RICHMOND, VA.

Louis P. Ecker	Potentate.
Fred. Pleasants	Chief Rabban.
George L. Street	Assistant Rabban.
F. W. Cunningham	High Priest and Prophet.
George W. Rady	Oriental Guide.
John F. Mayer	Treasurer.
William Ellis Jones (5 So. Twelfth St.)	Recorder.
John R. Charleton	First Cer. Master.
Jonas F. Welcome	Second Cer. Master.
John F. Parham	Marshal.
A. R. Gunn	Captain of Guard.
Shirley King	Outer Guard.
Horace N. Claxton	Director.

Founded June 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 148.

3.—AFIFI TEMPLE, TACOMA, WASH.

Richard A. Ketner (1104 Pacific Ave).....	Potentate.
John R. Black.....	Chief Rabban.
Nathan S. Porter.....	Assistant Rabban.
David L. Demorest.....	High Priest.
James M. Morrison.....	Oriental Guide.
Henry Drum.....	Treasurer.
Edward R. Hare (952 Pacific Ave).....	Recorder.
Frank W. Parker.....	First Cer. Master.
Edward Phillips.....	Second Cer. Master.
Trusten P. Dyer.....	Marshal.
F. J. Schug.....	Captain of Guard.
Michael Swamp.....	Outer Guard.
George E. Cleveland.....	Director.

Founded August 1, 1888.—Number of Members, 142.

4.—ALEPPO TEMPLE, BOSTON, MASS.

Thomas Waterman (Hotel Ikley).....	Potentate.
George Harrison Allen.....	Chief Rabban.
Caleb Saunders.....	Assistant Rabban.
James A. Fox.....	High Priest.
James Harvey Young.....	Oriental Guide.
Joseph W. Work.....	Treasurer.
Benjamin W. Rowell (28 School St.).....	Recorder.
James W. Hinkley.....	First Cer. Master.
Stephen C. Lowe.....	Second Cer. Master.
George S. Carpenter.....	Marshal.
Samuel A. Walker.....	Captain of Guard.
Alva H. Cloutman.....	Outer Guard.
Frank Locke.....	Director.

Founded June 23, 1882.—Number of Members, 1,673.

5.—ALGERIA TEMPLE, HELENA, MONT.

John W. Thompson (Pittsburgh Block).....	Potentate.
James H. Monteath.....	Chief Rabban.
Tom B. Miller.....	Assistant Rabban.
Samuel E. Snider.....	High Priest.
James D. Finn.....	Oriental Guide.
Anton M. Hotter.....	Treasurer.
George Booker (P. O. Box 333).....	Recorder.
Edward J. Zimmerman.....	First Cer. Master.
Alfred Whitworth.....	Second Cer. Master.
Robert G. Young.....	Marshal.

George R. Wood.....	Captain of Guard.
John C. Major.....	Outer Guard.
Cornelius B. Nolan.....	Director.

Founded March 23, 1888.—Number of Members, 194.

6.—AL CHYMIA TEMPLE, MEMPHIS, TENN.

Bun F. Price (Main and Union Sts).....	Potentate.
William W. Carnes.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles L. Loop.....	Assistant Rabban.
Warren J. Brown.....	High Priest.
Thomas J. Graham.....	Oriental Guide.
David T. Porter.....	Treasurer.
John D. Huhn (16 Masonic Temple).....	Recorder
Milton H. Price.....	First Cer. Master.
Alex. H. Kortrecht.....	Second Cer. Master.
William M. Brooks.....	Marshal.
Joseph W. Bruce.....	Captain of Guard.
Alex. Hunn.....	Outer Guard.
Robert W. Galloway.....	Director.

Founded April 23, 1891.—Number of Members, 52.

7.—ALHAMBRA TEMPLE, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

George C. Connor.....	Potentate.
Orion J. Hurlbut.....	Chief Rabban.
William L. Shumate.....	Assistant Rabban.
Archibald N. Sloan.....	High Priest.
John B. Nicklin.....	Oriental Guide.
John B. Nicklin.....	Treasurer.
William W. Simpson (P. O. Box 602).....	Recorder.
William R. Wilson.....	First Cer. Master.
Frederick F. Wallace.....	Second Cer. Master.
Charles L. Morrison.....	Marshal.
Robert C. Shelby.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles H. Dyer.....	Outer Guard.

Founded September 7, 1889.—Number of Members, 94.

8.—AL KADER TEMPLE, PORTLAND, OREGON.

Irving W. Pratt (69 So. First St.).....	Potentate.
Joseph W. Hill.....	Chief Rabban.
David S. Tuthill.....	Assistant Rabban.
George E. Withington.....	High Priest.
D. W. Taylor.....	Oriental Guide.
John R. Foster.....	Treasurer.

B. G. Whitehouse (100 Third St.)	Recorder.
D. C. McKercher	First Cer. Master.
Andrew Roberts	Second Cer. Master.
James W. Cook	Marshal.
Wm. A. Bantz	Captain of Guard.
Elisha A. Moses	Outer Guard.
Founded January 3, 1888.—Number of Members, 110.	

9.—AL KORAN TEMPLE, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Sam. Briggs (48 Cedar Ave.)	Potentate.
Moses G. Carroll	Chief Rabban.
Arthur B. Foster	Assistant Rabban.
John M. Gorham	High Priest.
Philip H. Keese	Oriental Guide.
Charles Wesley	Treasurer.
Sam. Briggs (48 Cedar Ave.)	Recorder.
Wm. I. Schroeder	First Cer. Master.
Casper A. Dorer	Second Cer. Master.
James T. Sargent	Marshal.
John W. Gibbons	Captain of Guard.
Theodore Elmendorf	Outer Guard.
Horace W. Hubbard	Director.
Founded November 16, 1876.—Number of Members, 516.	

10.—AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Franklin Jordan (315 New Heigh St.)	Potentate.
Clarence E. DeCamp	Chief Rabban.
Cornelius V. Baldwin	Assistant Rabban.
James R. Dupuy	High Priest.
Charles O. Scott	Oriental Guide.
Tom J. Weldon	Treasurer.
David E. Barclay (Care Co. Assessor)	Recorder.
Robert W. Kenney	First Cer. Master.
Florin L. Jones	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas E. Walker	Marshal.
Arthur H. Conger	Captain of Guard.
Charles F. Babcock	Outer Guard.
Robert R. Brown	Director.
Founded February 6, 1888.—Number of Members, 210.	

11.—ALMAS TEMPLE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Leonard C. Wood (307 E St. N.W.)	Potentate.
David G. Dixon	Chief Rabban.

James M. Hodges.....	Assistant Rabban.
Harrison Dingman.....	High Priest.
Jesse F. Grant.....	Oriental Guide.
Aaron Baldwin.....	Treasurer.
George H. Walker, (P. O. Box 22).....	Recorder.
A. T. Coumbe.....	First Cer. Master.
W. J. Byers.....	Second Cer. Master.
A. W. Kelley.....	Marshal.
A. B. Bennett.....	Captain of Guard.
J. H. Trumble.....	Outer Guard.
A. B. Coolidge.....	Director.

Founded January 7, 1886.—Number of Members, 319.

12.—ARARAT TEMPLE, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Ethelbert F. Allen (24 Beals Building).....	Potentate.
Charles A. Hibbard.....	Chief Rabban.
Bryson L. McClain.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles S. Owsley.....	High Priest.
Frank F. Rozzelle.....	Oriental Guide.
William P. Moores.....	Treasurer.
Arnold Shanklin, (24 Wales Building).....	Recorder
Benj. C. Burgess.....	First Cer. Master.
William V. Clark.....	Second Cer. Master.
S. L. C. Hasson.....	Marshal.
Chas. P. Baldwin.....	Captain of Guard.
W. H. Donaldson.....	Outer Guard
W. W. Cowan.....	Director.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 389.

13.—BALLUT ABYAD TEMPLE, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Joseph H. Kuhns.....	Potentate.
John L. Andrews.....	Chief Rabban.
Arthur Everett.....	Assistant Rabban.
Frederick H. Kent.....	High Priest.
Frank McKee.....	Oriental Guide.
Arthur J. Maloy.....	Treasurer.
Augustus C. Briggs.....	Recorder.
H. L. Keaggy.....	First Cer. Master.
Arthur E. Walker.....	Second Cer. Master.
George A. Hancock.....	Marshal.
Edward W. Bliss.....	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin Johnson.....	Outer Guard.
Edward Medler.....	Director.

Founded June 11, 1887.—Number of Members, 48.

14.—BEN HUR TEMPLE, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Charles S. Morse.....	Potentate.
D. W. Doom.....	Chief Rabban.
W. H. Bell.....	Assistant Rabban.
C. H. Welch.....	High Priest.
J. E. Wildbahn.....	Oriental Guide.
Tom Murrah.....	Treasurer.
E. C. Bartholomew, (5 Masonic Temple).....	Recorder.
John McDonald.....	First Cer. Master.
Burt McDonald.....	Second Cer. Master.
John O. Johnson.....	Marshal.
John A. Wayland.....	Captain of Guard.
John Carson.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 9, 1891.—Number of Members, 66.

15.—BOUMI TEMPLE, BALTIMORE, MD.

George W. Starr (960 N. Howard St.).....	Potentate.
James P. Clark.....	Chief Rabban.
C. M. McCahn.....	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob Likes.....	High Priest.
C. Baynes.....	Oriental Guide.
Samuel W. Regester.....	Treasurer.
David F. Penington (1 W. Lexington St.).....	Recorder.
Mark A. J. Clift.....	First Cer. Master.
George A. Sollers.....	Second Cer. Master.
C. H. Bischoff.....	Marshal.
Dr. A. B. Lyman.....	Captain of Guard.
J. W. Guest.....	Outer Guard.
J. H. Miller.....	Director.

Founded March 31, 1884.—Number of Members, 276.

16.—CYPRUS TEMPLE, ALBANY, N. Y.

Thomas J. Bishop (Greenbush Heights, Rensselaer Co.) ..	Potentate.
Charles H. Armitage.....	Chief Rabban.
William W. Grey.....	Assistant Rabban.
Alfred A. Guthrie.....	High Priest.
John L. Godley.....	Oriental Guide.
Erasmus D. Jones.....	Treasurer.
William E. Fitch (328 So. Pearl St.).....	Recorder.
Henry W. Young.....	First Cer. Master.
Calvin H. Eaton.....	Second Cer. Master.
E. L. Taylor.....	Marshal.
F. L. Mix.....	Captain of Guard.

William H. Gladding.....Outer Guard.
 James H. KellyDirector.
 Founded February 2, 1877.—Number of Members, 200.

17.—DAMASCUS TEMPLE, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Geo. F. Loder.....Potentate.
 William H. Whiting.....Chief Rabban.
 C. Avery.....Assistant Rabban.
 Samuel C. Pierce.....High Priest.
 S. D. W. Cleveland.....Oriental Guide.
 Edward Schaefer.....Treasurer.
 William Davis, (Lock Box 688).....Recorder.
 C. Eckhardt.....First Cer. Master.
 W. C. Powers.....Second Cer. Master.
 Edward C. Way.....Marshal.
 F. C. Knefer.....Captain of Guard.
 William H. Davenport.....Outer Guard.
 R. W. West.....Director.
 Founded January 4, 1875.—Number of Members, 431.

18.—EL JEBEL TEMPLE, DENVER, COLO.

William B. Felker.....Potentate.
 Thomas Nicholl.....Chief Rabban.
 William W. Anderson.....Assistant Rabban.
 Henry M. Furman.....High Priest.
 Silas W. Chaney.....Oriental Guide.
 Fred. C. Schruder.....Treasurer.
 Alonzo F. Vick Roy (P. O. Box 1084).....Recorder.
 Peter L. Palmer.....First Cer. Master.
 Fred. Walsen.....Second Cer. Master.
 John A. McBeth.....Marshal.
 Clay M. Van.....Captain of Guard.
 Chas. J. McIntosh.....Outer Guard.
 Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 556.

19.—EL KALAH TEMPLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

A. M. Grant.....Potentate.
 S. B. Westerfield.....Chief Rabban.
 Julius Gauer.....Assistant Rabban.
 Hiram Johnson.....High Priest.
 J. J. Greenwall.....Oriental Guide.
 James B. Boggs.....Treasurer.
 G. S. Clark (P. O. Box 509).....Recorder.

W. A. Stanton.....	First Cer. Master.
W. H. Christie.....	Second Cer. Master.
Harvey Hardy.....	Marshal.
S. McDowell.....	Captain of Guard.
J. F. Coker.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 26, 1890.—Number of Members, 86.

20.—EL KAHIR TEMPLE, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

Cyrus W. Eaton (19 Second Ave.).....	Potentate.
Edward I. Poster.....	Chief Rabban.
Calvin G. Greene.....	Assistant Rabban.
James Morton.....	High Priest.
Upton C. Blake.....	Oriental Guide.
James L. Bever.....	Treasurer.
George W. Bever (City National Bank).....	Recorder.
Charles H. French.....	First Cer. Master.
Marcus M. Hall.....	Second Cer. Master.
Robert J. Woollett.....	Marshal.
Marvin J. Gates.....	Captain of Guard.
Zelotes Farr.....	Outer Guard.
Austin D. Brown.....	Director.

Founded February 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 560.

21.—EL KATIF TEMPLE, SPOKANE, WASHINGTON.

Horace W. Tyler.....	Potentate.
Byron C. Van Houten.....	Chief Rabban.
Clarence W. Ide.....	Assistant Rabban.
Ephraim Dampsie.....	High Priest.
Martin D. Smith.....	Oriental Guide.
John F. McEwen.....	Treasurer.
Fred. Furth.....	Recorder.
Alonzo M. Murphy.....	First Cer. Master.
William H. Ziegler.....	Second Cer. Master.
Arthur W. Perley.....	Marshal.
John H. Shaw.....	Captain of Guard.
N. Triplett.....	Outer Guard.
Nathan B. Rundle.....	Director.

Founded June 26, 1890.—Number of Members, 89.

22.—EL RIAD TEMPLE, SIOUX FALLS, S. D.

Curtis H. Winsor.....	Potentate
Daniel S. Glidden.....	Chief Rabban.
William T. Doolittle.....	Assistant Rabban.

William H. Stoddard.....	High Priest.
George W. Burnside.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles H. Vincent.....	Treasurer.
Wm. H. Holt.....	Recorder.
Frank S. Emerson.....	First Cer. Master.
George W. Towry.....	Second Cer. Master.
Benjamin F. Campbell.....	Marshal.
Joseph W. Jones.....	Captain of Guard.
Frank Kumerth.....	Outer Guard.
William D. Stites.....	Director.

Founded April 2, 1888.—Number of Members, 193.

23.—EL ZAGAL TEMPLE, FARGO, N. D.

E. C. Gearey.....	Potentate.
D. A. Lindsey.....	Chief Rabban.
A. P. Chandler.....	Assistant Rabban.
George H. Phelps.....	High Priest.
F. J. Thompson.....	Oriental Guide.
E. R. Sherburne.....	Treasurer.
Joel O. Jewett.....	Recorder.
Thomas Baker, Jr.....	First Cer. Master.
Jacob Lowell.....	Second Cer. Master.
R. W. Knowlton.....	Marshal.
James C. Gill.....	Captain of Guard.
Samuel T. Connick.....	Outer Guard.
A. L. Loomis.....	Director.

Founded November 29, 1889.—Number of Members, 143.

24.—HAMASA TEMPLE, MERIDIAN, MISS.

O. A. Harrison.....	Potentate.
G. Smallshaf.....	Chief Rabban.
T. B. Lamb.....	Assistant Rabban.
J. M. Buchanan.....	High Priest.
J. T. Iglehart.....	Oriental Guide.
R. E. Harris.....	Treasurer.
H. C. Smith.....	Recorder.
M. J. Thompson.....	First Cer. Master.
W. S. Harris.....	Marshal.
J. R. Smith.....	Captain of Guard.
John Kamper.....	Outer Guard.

Founded May 26, 1892.—Number of Member, 16.

25.—HELLA TEMPLE, DALLAS, TEX.

George H. Green.....	Potentate.
Thomas M. Hunt.....	Chief Rabban.

Homan Starke.....	Assistant Rabban.
George A. Webster.....	High Priest.
Joseph Swope.....	Oriental Guide.
Edwin M. Reardon.....	Treasurer.
Wm. W. Manning, (233 Main Street).....	Recorder.
Joseph D. A. Harris.....	First Cer. Master.
Lewis O. Martin.....	Second Cer. Master.
Chas. H. Hotchkiss.....	Marshal.
A. D. H. Silver.....	Captain of Guard.
John James Service.....	Outer Guard.
Founded May 31, 1887.—Number of Members, 351.	

26.—ISIS TEMPLE, SALINA, KAN.

Charles A. Hiller.....	Potentate.
Thomas L. Bond.....	Chief Rabban.
Leroy O. Wight.....	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob De Witt.....	High Priest.
Edward W. Wellington.....	Oriental Guide.
Oscar Seitz.....	Treasurer.
Emil Arner.....	Recorder.
John Anderson.....	First Cer. Master.
William H. Herbig.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward H. Gibbs.....	Marshal.
Alex. Berg.....	Captain of Guard.
James Corden Stiles.....	Outer Guard.
Robert E. Nickles.....	Director.
Founded March 30, 1887.—Number of Members, 324.	

27.—ISLAM TEMPLE, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Hiram T. Graves (319 Pine Street).....	Potentate.
B. P. Flint.....	Chief Rabban.
Alfred W. Baldwin.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles L. Patton.....	High Priest.
C. S. Benedict.....	Oriental Guide.
Edward H. Hanson.....	Treasurer.
Victor D. Duboce, (211 Sansome Street).....	Recorder.
G. Howard Thompson.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles F. Burnham.....	Second Cer. Master.
Henry Edwards.....	Marshal.
William H. Smith.....	Captain of Guard.
Robert H. Mowbry.....	Outer Guard.
Asa R. Wells.....	Director.
Founded March 6, 1883.—Number of Members, 448.	

28.—ISMAILIA TEMPLE, BUFFALO, N. Y.

Charles W. Cushman (35 Chapin Block).....	Potentate.
Frank T. Gilbert.....	Chief Rabban.
George L. Brown.....	Assistant Rabban.
John L. Brothers.....	High Priest.
Henry Smith, 2d.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Bishop.....	Treasurer.
Erastus C. Knight (50 W. Eagle St.).....	Recorder.
Frank M. Fisher.....	First Cer. Master.
Robert T. Walker.....	Second Cer. Master.
Charles A. De Laney.....	Marshal.
James A. Given.....	Captain of Guard.
William Christian.....	Outer Guard.
George W. Voss.....	Director.

Founded March 5, 1887.—Number of Members, 380.

29.—JERUSALEM TEMPLE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Charles F. Buck (P. O. Box 81).....	Potentate.
William T. Benedict.....	Chief Rabban.
David R. Graham.....	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Clark.....	High Priest.
Paul M. Schneidan.....	Oriental Guide.
Arthur W. Hyatt.....	Treasurer.
Richard Lambert (P. O. Box 81).....	Recorder.
George Soule.....	First Cer. Master.
Samuel Alston.....	Second Cer. Master.
A. H. De Pass.....	Marshal.
Mark Quayle.....	Captain of Guard.
John W. Madden.....	Outer Guard.

Founded March 30, 1885.—Number of Members, 55.

30.—KAABA TEMPLE, DAVENPORT, IOWA.

Clark L. Richards.....	Potentate.
John Hoyt.....	Chief Rabban.
Wilber F. Fidler.....	Assistant Rabban.
George L. Osborn.....	High Priest.
Alonzo W. Cantwell.....	Oriental Guide.
Cyrus T. Darling.....	Treasurer.
Cornelius J. Brown (306 E. Eighth St.).....	Recorder.
William F. Winecke.....	First Cer. Master.
Frank L. Snell.....	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas Murray.....	Marshal.

Charles H. Reupke.....Captain of Guard.
John N. Davis.....Outer Guard.
George M. Cook.....Director.

Founded (as Pyramid Temple) July 1, 1878.—Number of Members, 340.

31.—KISMET TEMPLE, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Wayland Trask (214 Adelphi St.).....Potentate.
Nathan W. Josselyn.....Chief Rabban.
John D. Acker.....Assistant Rabban.
John W. Richardson.....High Priest.
Edwin D. Washburn.....Oriental Guide.
Theodore Baldwin.....Treasurer.
Syndey F. Walker (P. O. Box 201, Flatbush, L. I.).....Recorder.
Clarence E. Stump.....First Cer. Master.
John McGeehan.....Second Cer. Master.
Marion Grimes.....Marshal.
Charles Hoffman, Jr.....Captain of Guard.
Godfrey Lincks.....Outer Guard.
Alonzo Bryner.....Director.

Founded July 2, 1887.—Number of Members, 385.

32.—KOSAIR TEMPLE, LOUISVILLE, KY.

William Ryan (610 E. Broadway).....Potentate.
John A. Stratton.....Chief Rabban.
Chas. A. Graham.....Assistant Rabban.
Frank H. Johnson.....High Priest.
R. S. Moses.....Oriental Guide.
Charles C. Vogt.....Treasurer.
Will. E. Ryan (610 E. Broadway).....Recorder.
C. A. Warren.....First Cer. Master.
C. F. Dupee.....Second Cer. Master.
Wm. L. Lyons.....Marshal.
E. C. Pearson.....Captain of Guard.
George F. Evans.....Outer Guard.
M. Cary Peter.....Director.

Founded November 3, 1884.—Number of Members, 169.

33.—KORA TEMPLE, LEWISTON, MAINE.

Francis T. Faulkner (Turner, Me.).....Potentate.
Charles E. Libby.....Chief Rabban.
J. Frank Babbitt.....Assistant Rabban.
Albert M. Penley.....High Priest.
George D. Babbitt.....Oriental Guide.
John N. Wood.....Treasurer.

W. Chandler Bearce (Auburn, Me.).....	Recorder.
W. Freeman Lord.....	First Cer. Master.
Willie A. Knight.....	Second Cer. Master.
James E. Coombs.....	Marshal.
Samuel Hibbert.....	Captain of Guard.
E. M. Heath.....	Outer Guard.
Levator O. Morse.....	Director.

Founded Dec. 14, 1891.—Number of Members, 78.

34.—LULU TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Joseph S. Wright (The Terminal Hotel).....	Potentate.
Ezra S. Bartlett.....	Chief Rabban.
Edward B. Spencer.....	Assistant Rabban.
N. Ferree Lightner.....	High Priest.
Philip C. Schaffer.....	Oriental Guide.
Michael F. Benerman.....	Treasurer.
Charles Cary (417 Walnut St.).....	Recorder.
John A. S. Heath.....	First Cer. Master.
Henry N. Metzger.....	Second Cer. Master.
Francis N. Hemperley.....	Marshal.
George W. Walton.....	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin K. Paullin.....	Outer Guard.
Edward B. Jordan.....	Director.

Founded December 31, 1883.—Number of Members, 1,778.

35.—MECCA TEMPLE, NEW YORK.

Augustus W. Peters (60 Broadway).....	Potentate.
Charles A. Benedict.....	Chief Rabban.
Philip C. Benjamin.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles A. Heyzer.....	High Priest.
Robert P. Lyon.....	Oriental Guide.
George W. Millar.....	Treasurer.
Saman R. Ellison (266 W. Forty-third St.).....	Recorder.
James V. Kirby.....	First Cer. Master.
Edgar M. Ayers.....	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph B. Eukins.....	Director.
George W. Wyatt.....	Marshal.
Valentine Hammann.....	Captain of Guard.
S. W. Swift.....	Outer Guard.

Founded September 26, 1872.—Number of Members, 1749.

36.—MEDINAH TEMPLE, CHICAGO, ILL.

William A. Stiles (125 La Salle St.).....	Potentate.
William M. Knight.....	Chief Rabban.

Chester T. Drake.....	Assistant Rabban.
Canute R. Matson.....	High Priest.
Thomas H. Currier.....	Oriental Guide.
James S. Carter.....	Treasurer.
Frank M. Luce (167 Dearborn St.).....	Recorder.
Robert M. Johnson.....	First Cer. Master.
John E. Norton.....	Second Cer. Master.
Alexander Ross.....	Marshal.
Chas. E. Cruikshank.....	Captain of Guard.
Moses N. Fuller.....	Outer Guard.
Leonard W. Campbell.....	Director.
Founded October 30, 1882.—Number of Members, 1,318.	

37.—MEDIA TEMPLE, WATERTOWN, N. Y.

Omar A. Hine.....	Potentate
Danford G. Eggleston.....	Chief Rabban.
Joseph A. McConnell.....	Assistant Rabban.
Edgar C. Emerson.....	High Priest.
Pitt Adams.....	Oriental Guide.
Richard H. Huntington.....	Treasurer.
John S. Coon.....	Recorder.
E. L. Waite.....	First Cer. Master.
George H. Gilmore.....	Second Cer. Master.
John P. Johnston.....	Marshal.
John H. Webster.....	Captain of Guard.
William A. Lyttle.....	Outer Guard.
Charles J. Bellinger.....	Director.
Founded March 19, 1891.—Number of Members, 142.	

38.—MOILA TEMPLE, ST. JOSEPH, MO.

H. G. Gatchell (Junction Block).....	Potentate.
Ulrich Schneider.....	Chief Rabban.
O. E. Van Deventer.....	Assistant Rabban.
Walter C. Stewart.....	High Priest.
William B. McNutt.....	Oriental Guide.
John M. Austin.....	Treasurer.
Emanuel F. Hartzell (122 So. 4th St.).....	Recorder.
Robert C. Wheeler.....	First Cer. Master.
Augustus H. Wahrman.....	Second Cer. Master.
Wm. L. Buechle.....	Marshal.
Josiah W. Batcheller.....	Captain of Guard.
Horation N. Turner.....	Outer Guard.
Maurice W. Steiner.....	Director.
Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 114.	

39.—MOOLAH TEMPLE, ST. LOUIS, MO.

Anthony H. Wallis (2000 Lucas Place).....	Potentate.
Otto F. Stifel.....	Chief Rabban.
Gus. W. Niemann.....	Assistant Rabban.
William Walsh.....	High Priest.
Thomas J. Prosser.....	Oriental Guide.
Elisha H. Overstreet.....	Treasurer.
William H. Mayo (Freemasons' Hall).....	Recorder.
Fred. A. Smith.....	First Cer. Master.
Albert H. Bauer.....	Second Cer. Master.
James E. Brock.....	Marshal.
H. T. Jones.....	Captain of Guard.
John W. Owen.....	Outer Guard.
Jas. F. Ewing.....	Director.

Founded April 26, 1886.—Number of Members, 282.

40.—MOROCCO TEMPLE, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

William A. McLean.....	Potentate.
Thomas S. Wilmarth.....	Chief Rabban.
Otis L. Kune.....	Assistant Rabban.
Irving E. Baird.....	High Priest.
W. P. Webster.....	Oriental Guide.
Otis L. Kune.....	Treasurer.
Thomas S. Wilmarth.....	Recorder.
Joseph Y. Porter.....	First Cer. Master.
John D. Sinclair.....	Second Cer. Master.
John H. Stephens.....	Marshal.
W. A. Bours.....	Captain of Guard.
W. N. Emery.....	Outer Guard.
H. S. Ely.....	Director.

Founded March 28, 1888.—Number of Members, 24.

41.—MOSLEM TEMPLE, DETROIT, MICH.

Lou Burt (95 Woodward Ave.).....	Potentate.
Fred. Fayram.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles F. Beck.....	Assistant Rabban.
Joseph Mayworm.....	High Priest.
Harry Starkey.....	Oriental Guide.
Nicholas Coulson.....	Treasurer.
William M. Bailey (29 Miami Ave.).....	Recorder.
E. R. Harris.....	First Cer. Master.
M. P. Hurlburt.....	Second Cer. Master.

O. R. Baldwin	Marshal.
Wm. T. Simpson	Captain of Guard.
C. A. Palmer	Outer Guard.

Founded June 2, 1880.—Number of Members, 485.

42.—MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, MONTPELIER, VT.

Collins Blakely	Potentate.
James E. Curran	Chief Rabban.
Edwin O. Hibbard	Assistant Rabban.
Stephen R. Colby	High Priest.
Charles A. Barnard	Oriental Guide.
Frank A. Dwinell	Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton (Lock Box 255)	Recorder.
George M. Goss	First Cer. Master.
William H. Herrick	Second Cer. Master.
Arch. M. Bachelder	Marshal.
D. S. Wheatley	Captain of Guard.
Russell C. Collins	Outer Guard.
Chas. N. Fuller	Director.

Founded October 31, 1876.—Number of Members, 247.

43.—MURAT TEMPLE, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

John T. Brush (Room 30, When Block)	Potentate.
Chalmers Brown	Chief Rabban.
R. O. Hawkins	Assistant Rabban.
Byron K. Elliott	High Priest.
William H. Schmidt	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Meyer	Treasurer.
Joseph W. Smith (4 Ingalls Block)	Recorder.
Willis C. Vajen	First Cer. Master.
Ahira R. White	Second Cer. Master.
Frank T. Holliday	Marshal.
Samuel A. Johnston	Captain of Guard.
Frank Wilson	Outer Guard.
Henry H. McGaffey	Director.

Founded March 13, 1884.—Number of Members, 392.

44.—ORIENTAL TEMPLE, TROY, N. Y.

William Finder, Jr.	Potentate.
Edward Wait	Chief Rabban.
Joseph A. Leggett	Assistant Rabban.
Daniel H. Ayers	High Priest.
Isaac F. Handy	Oriental Guide.

Oliver Dexter, Jr.	Treasurer.
William Pettis (273 River St.)	Recorder.
F. O. Stiles	Marshal.
James H. Crutchley	First Cer. Master.
Charles McCrery	Second Cer. Master.
Conrad Hammann	Captain of Guard.
Charles Teson	Outer Guard.
Edward P. Lanton	Director.
Founded February 6, 1877.—Number of Members, 346.	

45.—OSIRIS TEMPLE, WHEELING, W. VA.

Frank H. Warden	Potentate.
Frank E. McCoy	Chief Rabban.
Thomas C. Stevenson	Assistant Rabban.
Math. R. Wolff	High Priest.
Stephen Waterhouse, Jr.	Oriental Guide.
Wm. A. Wilson	Treasurer.
Wm. H. Grabe (2514 Chapline St.)	Recorder.
Archie T. Hupp	First Cer. Master.
Henry Morris	Second Cer. Master.
Luther W. Blayne	Marshal.
Edward E. Baldwin	Captain of Guard.
Timothy W. Bliss	Outer Guard.
Alfred Paull	Director.
Founded July 22, 1886.—Number of Members, 218.	

46.—OSMAN TEMPLE, ST. PAUL, MINN.

Oscar M. Metcalf (63 E. 3d St.)	Potentate.
Clarence E. Stone	Chief Rabban.
Joseph E. McWilliams	Assistant Rabban.
Andrew P. Swanstrom	High Priest.
Russell C. Munger	Oriental Guide.
Isaac Seddon	Treasurer.
Orville G. Miller (63 E. 3d St.)	Recorder.
J. Edward Ingham	First Cer. Master.
John W. Owens	Second Cer. Master.
Lyle M. Fisher	Marshal.
Joseph F. Spranger	Captain of Guard.
Jean C. Fischer	Outer Guard.
William H. S. Wright	Director.
Founded June 20, 1885.—Number of Members, 351.	

47.—PALESTINE TEMPLE, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Horace K. Blanchard.....	Potentate.
Albert L. Anthony.....	Chief Rabban.
Horace S. Richardson.....	Assistant Rabban.
George L. Shepley.....	High Priest.
John S. Rogers.....	Oriental Guide.
John G. Massie.....	Treasurer.
Edwin Baker (70 Weybosset St.).....	Recorder.
Charles H. C. Carter.....	First Cer. Master.
Fred. C. Bushee.....	Second Cer. Master.
Daniel W. Senior.....	Marshal.
John F. Oldham.....	Captain of Guard.
Richard Chadwick.....	Outer Guard.
Hamilton C. McDougall.....	Director.

Founded January 28, 1886.—Number of Members, 357.

48.—PYRAMID TEMPLE, BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

Thaddeus B. Beecher.....	Potentate.
Hugh Stirling.....	Chief Rabban.
Clarence M. Foster.....	Assistant Rabban.
James A. Wilson.....	High Priest.
Henry O. Canfield.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles E. Wilmot.....	Treasurer.
E. Stewart Sumner (45 Wall St.).....	Recorder.
David C. Mills.....	First Cer. Master.
Henry D. Beach.....	Second Cer. Master.
William J. Dorrence.....	Marshal.
Charles T. Beardsley, Jr.....	Captain of Guard.
Rodney S. Bassett.....	Outer Guard.
Eleazar Parmly.....	Director.

Founded April 18, 1877.—Number of Members, 745.

49.—RAMESES TEMPLE, TORONTO, CANADA.

Henry A. Collins.....	Potentate.
James Glanville.....	Chief Rabban.
James W. O'Hara.....	Assistant Rabban.
W. Simpson ..	High Priest.
N. L. Lyon.....	Oriental Guide.
George S. McConkey.....	Treasurer.
Arthur A. S. Ardagh (55 Yonge St.).....	Recorder.
L. B. Montgomery.....	First Cer. Master.
Joseph King.....	Second Cer. Master.
F. B. Lookwood.....	Director.

J. K. Leslie.....	Marshal.
John Sharp Boyd.....	Captain of Guard.
W. H. H. Smith.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 21, 1887.—Number of Members, 86.

50.—SAHARA TEMPLE, PINE BLUFF, ARK.

John T. Marsh.....	Potentate.
Thomas W. Kennon.....	Chief Rabban.
Frank Silverman.....	Assistant Rabban.
Ines O. Adams.....	High Priest.
David I. Mills.....	Oriental Guide.
Alphonso Brewster.....	Treasurer.
Thomas W. Vining (316 Pine St.).....	Recorder.
Chas. H. Loomis.....	First Cer. Master.
Algernon N. Smith.....	Second Cer. Master.
William C. Hagelteen.....	Marshal.
Wesley M. McGehee.....	Captain of Guard.
William J. D. Vernon.....	Outer Guard.
Alfred A. Tufts.....	Director.

Founded April 16, 1889.—Number of Members, 57.

51.—SALAAM TEMPLE, OLNEY, ILL.

John Von Gunten, Jr.....	Potentate.
M. D. Foster.....	Chief Rabban.
W. A. Thompson.....	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Gunn.....	High Priest.
John W. Stanley.....	Oriental Guide.
Robert N. Stotler.....	Treasurer.
Nathan S. Marshall (Lock Box 408) ..	Recorder.
Nathan Nible.....	First Cer. Master.
John Milburn.....	Second Cer. Master.
Wm. Fred. Beck.....	Director.
Philip Raling.....	Marshal.
J. O. Wolf.....	Captain of Guard.
H. M. Hall.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 1, 1884.—Number of Members, 44.

52.—SALADIN TEMPLE, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

George F. Buss (Grand Rapids, Mich.).....	Potentate.
Francis Letellier.....	Chief Rabban.
Henry K. Dean.....	Assistant Rabban.
Lou. B. Winsor.....	High Priest.
Noah H. Reynolds.....	Oriental Guide.

Thomas J. Lucas.....	Treasurer.
Samuel E. Watson (Blodgett Bldg).....	Recorder.
Nelson B. Clark.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles E. Fink.....	Second Cer. Master.
Uriah S. Hayes.....	Marshal.
Frank E. Sprarker.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles H. Brown.....	Outer Guard.
George E. Dowling.....	Director.

Founded April 17, 1886.—Number of Members, 329.

53.—SESOSTRIS TEMPLE, LINCOLN, NEB.

James Tyler (111 No. Ninth St.).....	Potentate.
George H. Simmons.....	Chief Rabban.
Lorenzo D. Woodruff.....	Assistant Rabban.
Alfred G. Hastings.....	High Priest.
John H. Mauritius.....	Oriental Guide.
Jerry F. Morris.....	Treasurer.
Frank M. Glenn (8 Union Depot).....	Recorder.
Wm. B. McArthur.....	First Cer. Master.
Alexander H. Hutton.....	Second Cer. Master.
John H. McClay.....	Marshal.
Earl A. Cooley.....	Captain of Guard.
George J. Hendry.....	Outer Guard.
Melchert H. Garten.....	Director.

Founded June 22, 1887.—Number of Members, 173.

54.—SYRIA TEMPLE, PITTSBURG, PA.

Thomas J. Hudson (P. O. Box 790).....	Potentate.
Arthur B. Wigley.....	Chief Rabban.
Americus V. Holmes.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles E. Miller.....	High Priest.
William S. Brown.....	Oriental Guide.
Joseph Eichbaum.....	Treasurer.
Frank A. Kingsley (400 Wood St.).....	Recorder.
Oscar C. Gauter.....	First Cer. Master.
Harry W. Dunlap.....	Second Cer. Master.
Henry H. Arnold.....	Marshal.
James S. Arnold.....	Captain of Guard.
George C. Johnstone.....	Outer Guard.
James Kerr, Jr.....	Director.

Founded May 19, 1877.—Number of Members, 705.

55.—SYRIAN TEMPLE, CINCINNATI, OHIO.

William B. Melish (181 Walnut St.).....	Potentate.
William S. Hale.....	Chief Rabban.

Charles H. Fisk.....	Assistant Rabban.
Sherwood B. Markland.....	High Priest.
Joseph Kirkup.....	Oriental Guide.
Thomas Kite, Jr.....	Treasurer.
Edward C. Harding (15 West Third St.).....	Recorder.
Stephen P. Sands.....	First Cer. Master.
George R. Ebersole.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward D. Miller.....	Marshal.
John E. Bruce.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles Sutphin.....	Outer Guard.
William Michie.....	Director.
Founded November 6, 1876.—Number of Members, 566.	

56.—TANGIER TEMPLE, OMAHA, NEB.

Henry C. Akin.....	Potentate.
Joseph R. Stafford.....	Chief Rabban.
Thomas K. Sudborough.....	Assistant Rabban.
L. M. Anderson.....	High Priest.
Thomas Batterton.....	Oriental Guide.
James S. France.....	Treasurer.
Alexander G. Ridling (P. O. Box 525).....	Recorder.
Charles S. Huntington.....	First Cer. Master.
John F. Clarke.....	Second Cer. Master.
James Gilbert.....	Marshal.
Henry Newell.....	Captain of Guard.
Lewis M. Rheem.....	Outer Guard.
Henry C. Crumb.....	Director.
Founded April 15, 1889.—Number of Members, 302.	

57.—TRIPOLI TEMPLE, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Eugene S. Elliott (80 Wisconsin St.).....	Potentate.
Luther L. Caufy.....	Chief Rabban.
William H. Morris.....	Assistant Rabban.
Daniel McL. Miller.....	High Priest.
George N. Wiswell.....	Oriental Guide.
J. W. Bingham.....	Treasurer.
Wm. J. Holbrook (P. O. Box 127).....	Recorder.
Julius Wechselberg.....	First Cer. Master.
James S. Norris.....	Second Cer. Master.
Adolph H. Wagner.....	Marshal.
J. P. Carmichael.....	Captain of Guard.
Leonard Barrett.....	Outer Guard.
Founded March 9, 1885.—Number of Members, 355.	

58.—YAARAB TEMPLE, ATLANTA, GA.

H. C. Stockdell.....	Potentate.
C. N. Kight.....	Chief Rabban.
A. P. Woodward.....	Assistant Rabban.
F. M. Fremont.....	High Priest.
C. T. Watson.....	Oriental Guide.
A. W. Hill.....	Treasurer.
H. M. Robinson (Care R. M. S.).....	Recorder.
G. H. Holliday.....	First Cer. Master.
J. R. Wilkinson.....	Second Cer. Master.
W. L. Venable.....	Marshal.
W. S. Larenden.....	Captain of Guard.
B. S. Loyd.....	Outer Guard.
John F. Lester.....	Director.

Founded November 29, 1889.—Number of Members, 122.

59.—ZAMORA TEMPLE, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

Charles Wheelock.....	Potentate.
Augustus J. Camp.....	Chief Rabban.
Harry B. Wheelock.....	Assistant Rabban.
M. D. Montague.....	High Priest.
George Wheelock.....	Oriental Guide.
Peter Zinzser.....	Treasurer.
Ben. M. Jacobs (2011 1st Ave.).....	Recorder.
Wm. H. Franklin.....	First Cer. Master.
George Blinn, Jr.....	Second Cer. Master.
A. H. Miegel.....	Marshal.
Henry M. Austin.....	Captain of Guard.
Paul Calame.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 10, 1890.—Number of Members, 49.

60.—ZEM ZEM TEMPLE, ERIE, PA.

Andrew K. McMullen.....	Potentate.
Frank McSparren.....	Chief Rabban.
Peter Barkey.....	Assistant Rabban.
Henry W. DeWitt.....	High Priest.
James E. Silliman.....	Oriental Guide.
William C. Shaw.....	Treasurer.
J. Frank Bassett.....	Recorder.
Frank G. Mans.....	First Cer. Master.
William W. Hunt.....	Second Cer. Master.
Frank M. Lamb.....	Marshal.

Charles F. Miller.....Captain of Guard.
 Robert Little.....Outer Guard.
 James K. Anderson.....Director.
 Founded December 22, 1891.—Number of Members, 130.

61.—ZIYARA TEMPLE, UTICA, N. Y.

John W. Boyle (Utica, N. Y.).....Potentate.
 Roderick Campbell.....Chief Rabban.
 Orville A. Burnham.....Assistant Rabban.
 Edward Drevvett.....High Priest.
 Herbert H. Klock.....Oriental Guide.
 Noble F. Martin.....Treasurer.
 Jacob Scheehl.....Recorder.
 John H. Grant.....First Cer. Master.
 Edward M. Wordard.....Second Cer. Master.
 A. J. Fierstine.....Marshal.
 Charles F. Geerer.....Captain of Guard.
 Benjamin J. Thomas.....Outer Guard.
 Frank K. Baxter.....Director.
 Founded October 30, 1877.—Number of Members, 394.

62.—ZUHRAH TEMPLE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Joseph L. Dobbin (Temple Court).....Potentate.
 Joseph B. Hudson.....Chief Rabban.
 J. W. Nash.....Assistant Rabban.
 C. C. Curtiss.....High Priest.
 T. E. Mercer.....Oriental Guide.
 J. M. Williams.....Treasurer.
 H. M. Myers (704 Masonic Temple).....Recorder.
 R. H. Hartley.....First Cer. Master.
 C. H. Spencer.....Second Cer. Master.
 W. M. Brackett.....Marshal.
 W. H. Lyon.....Captain of Guard.
 William Cove.....Outer Guard.
 John A. Schlener.....Director.
 Founded July 25, 1885.—Number of Members, 265.

STATES WITH TEMPLES.

AUGUST 15, 1892.

1. Alabama.....Zamora Temple.
2. Arkansas.....Sahara Temple.
3. California.....Al Malaikah and Islam Temples.
4. Colorado.....El Jebel Temple.
5. Connecticut.....Pyramid Temple.
6. Dakota.....El Riad Temple.
7. District of Columbia.....Almas Temple.
8. Florida.....Morocco Temple.
9. Georgia.....Yaarab Temple.
10. Illinois.....Medinah and Salaam Temples.
11. Indiana.....Murat Temple.
12. Iowa.....El Kahir and Kaaba Temples.
13. Kansas.....Abdallah and Isis Temples.
14. Kentucky.....Kosair Temple.
15. Louisiana.....Jerusalem Temple.
16. Maine.....Kora Temple.
17. Maryland.....Boumi Temple.
18. Massachusetts.....Aléppo Temple.
19. Michigan.....Moslem and Saladin Temples.
20. Minnesota.....Osman and Zuhrah Temples.
21. Missouri.....Ararat, Moila and Moolah Temples.
22. Mississippi.....Hamasa Temple.
23. Montana.....Algeria Temple.
24. Nebraska.....Sesostris and Tungier Temples.
25. New Mexico.....Ballut Abyad Temple.
26. New York.....{ Cyprus, Damascus, Ismailia, Kismet, Media,
Mecca, Oriental and Ziyara Temples.
27. North Dakota.....El Zagal Temple.
28. Ohio.....Al Koran and Syrian Temples.
29. Oregon.....Al Kader Temple.
30. Pennsylvania.....Zem Zem, Lu Lu and Syria Temples.
31. Rhode Island.....Palestine Temple.
32. Tennessee.....Al Chymia and Alhambra Temples.
33. Texas.....Ben Hur and Hella Temples.
34. Utah.....El Kalah Temple.
35. Vermont.....Mount Sinai Temple.
36. Virginia.....Accu Temple.
37. Washington.....El Katif and Afifi Temples.
38. West Virginia.....Osiris Temple.
39. Wisconsin.....Tripoli Temple.
40. Canada.....Rameses Temple.

Number of Temples, 62.

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CURTIS H. WINSOR.....	<i>Imperial Outer Guard.</i>
SIOUX FALLS, S. D.	

IMPERIAL COUNCIL

الخويّة قديم عربى

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER

OF THE

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

أشرف المسجد سري

FOR NORTH AMERICA.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL SESSION,

1893

PURSUANT to Resolution of August 16, 1892, the Nineteenth Annual Session of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America was held at Al Beyt Ullahi 'l Haram, Scottish Rite Cathedral, in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, on Nahar el Etnin, the 28th and 29th days of the eleventh Arabic month of Dhu'l Kaada, A. H. 1310, corresponding to Tuesday and Wednesday, the 13th and 14th days of June, A. D. 1893, at 10 o'clock A. M., and in accordance with the notice issued to all Officers, Representatives and Temples, as follows:

ANNUAL NOTICE.

THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL, ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC
SHRINE FOR NORTH AMERICA.

{ OFFICE OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE,
CINCINNATI, MAY 10, 1893.

TO THE REPRESENTATIVES TO THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL, TO ALL POTENTATES
OF SUBORDINATE TEMPLES, AND TO THE NOBILITY OF OUR ORDER:

ES SELAMU ALEIKUM!

The Nineteenth Annual Session of the Imperial Council will be held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Broadway, between Fourth and Fifth streets, Cincinnati, Ohio, on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 13th and 14th, 1893. The first day's session will commence at ten o'clock A. M.

The Headquarters of the Imperial Council will be at the Grand Hotel, corner Fourth and Central avenue. Representatives and other Nobles desiring hotel accommodations are requested to address Noble Ed. C. Harding, Secretary Committee of Arrangements, P. O. Box 258, Cincinnati, Ohio, as soon as possible.

Potentates and Representatives are requested to file with the Imperial Potentate, or the acting Imperial Recorder, at once, all papers referring to By-laws, Appeals, Grievances, Reports, Rituals, Amendments to the Constitution, etc., that the same may be presented to the proper Committees as soon as possible. Temples under dispensation will forward to the Imperial Potentate a report of all work done, accompanying said report with the dispensation itself, that the Committee on Dispensations and Charters may investigate the same and make recommendation to the Imperial Council.

COMMITTEES.—As soon as the complete list of Representatives is received, the Imperial Potentate will appoint the Committees and report the names of the members thereof to the Imperial Council as required by law.

The following unfinished business, from the Annual Session of 1892, will come up for action:

Amendment to the Constitution—(offered by Noble Frank M. Luce). Sec. 1, Art. III, now reads: "To every Temple working by authority of a Charter granted by this Imperial Council there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be further entitled to one additional Representative for every three hundred members or a fraction over three hundred in its number of membership, but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives." To

Amend to read as follows: "To every Temple working by authority of a Charter granted by this Imperial Council there shall be allowed one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be entitled to two Representatives when its membership reaches three hundred, three Representatives when its membership reaches four hundred and four Representatives when its membership reaches eight hundred; but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives."

From Proceedings 1892, page 75.

Application of certain Nobles at Topeka, Kansas, asking that a dispensation be granted for a Temple there. On motion of Noble E. C. Culp, further action in the matter was postponed until the Annual Session of 1893.

Report of the Committee on Ritual and consideration of the same.

The following amendments to the Constitution have been filed with the acting Imperial Recorder and will come up for consideration at this session.

To amend Sec. 2, of Art. XIII, by omitting the words "at least thirty days prior to the issuing of the same."

To amend Sec. 1, of Art. XIV, by omitting the words "Jurisdictional boundaries between any two Temples are determined by drawing a right line from center to center of each town or city where the Temples are located. From the middle point of such line draw another line at right angles thereto, and extending the same in either direction to the boundaries of the State. The latter line will constitute the jurisdictional boundary between the two Temples."

To amend Sec. 2, of Art. XXV, by inserting the words "signed by at least three members of the body" after the word "writing."

To make Sec. 5, Art. XXX, read as follows: "A member may be suspended for non-payment of dues by a majority vote of the members present at any meeting, provided notice has been given him that he is in arrears and an opportunity afforded him to be present.

A member may be suspended or expelled for conduct unbecoming a member of the Order. It shall require a vote of two-thirds of the members present to suspend membership for a definite or an indefinite period. To expel a member a vote of three-fourths of those present shall be necessary. No member of a Temple can be suspended or expelled without formal charges being presented, notice served upon him and an opportunity afforded him to be heard in his defense."

The Ritual Committee, the appointment of which was ordered by the Imperial Council at its last session, will convene at the Committee Room in the Grand Hotel on Monday, June 12th, 1893, at 9:30 o'clock A. M. The various States will be represented on the Committee as follows:

Alabama.....	Chas. Wheelock.
Arkansas.....	Jno. T. Marsh.
California.....	H. T. Graves.
Colorado.....	A. B. McGaffey.

Connecticut.....	Thad. B. Beecher.
District of Columbia.....	Geo. H. Walker.
Florida.....	I. E. Baird.
Georgia.....	H. C. Stockdell.
Illinois.....	John A. May.
Indiana.....	R. O. Hawkins.
Iowa.....	W. S. Gardner.
Kansas.....	Chas. A. Hiller.
Kentucky.....	Wm. Ryan.
Louisiana.....	Richard Lambert.
Maine.....	A. M. Penley.
Maryland.....	Geo. W. Starr.
Massachusetts.....	Thos. Waterman.
Michigan.....	Geo. F. Buss.
Minnesota.....	O. M. Metcalf.
Missouri.....	E. F. Allen.
Mississippi.....	No representative.
Montana.....	Jas. H. Monteath.
Nebraska.....	Henry C. Akin.
New Mexico.....	Edward Medler.
New York.....	C. W. Cushman.
North Dakota.....	R. E. Fleming.
Ohio.....	Sam Briggs.
Oregon.....	No credentials filed.
Pennsylvania.....	Wm. S. Brown.
Rhode Island.....	H. K. Blanchard.
South Dakota.....	No credentials filed.
Tennessee.....	A. N. Sloan.
Texas.....	L. M. Knepfly.
Utah.....	Sam'l McDowall.
Vermont.....	Ira R. Allen.
Virginia.....	L. P. Ecker.
Washington.....	Wm. G. Rowland.
West Virginia.....	M. R. Wolff.
Wisconsin.....	Eugene S. Elliott.
Canada.....	Henry A. Collins.

Emeritus membership—Prof. A. L. Rawson.

The Nobility of Syrian Temple, of the Oasis of Cincinnati, will give a most hospitable welcome and generous entertainment to the Imperial Council.

It is hoped that there will be a full attendance of the Representatives.

Yours in the Faith,

Attest:

W. B. MELISH,

WM. H. MAYO,

Imperial Potentate.

Acting Imperial Recorder,

Freemasons Hall, St. Louis, Mo.

OPENING.

The Imperial Council in Annual Session was opened in full Ceremonial Form.

The Imperial Council was declared open in Ample Form, and in order for business.

Albert B. Guptill was appointed as Imperial Second Ceremonial Master, vice Noble Fleming, absent.

PRESENT AT OPENING.

OFFICERS.

WILLIAM B. MELISH.....	Imperial Potentate.
THOMAS J. HUDSON.....	Imperial Deputy Potentate.
CHARLES L. FIELD.....	Imperial Chief Rabban.
FRANK LOCKE.....	Imperial Assistant Rabban.
JOHN T. BRUSH.....	Imperial High Priest and Prophet.
LOU BURT.....	Imperial Oriental Guide.
JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	Imperial Treasurer.
FRANK M. LUCE.....	Imperial Recorder.
LOUIS P. ECKER.....	Imperial First Ceremonial Master.
ALBERT B. GUPTILL.....	as Imperial Second Ceremonial Master.
THOMAS J. BISHOP.....	Imperial Marshal.
GUSTAVE ANDERSON.....	Imperial Captain of Guard.

MEMBERS.

Noble HENRY C. AKIN.....	Omaha, Neb.
" ETHELBERT F. ALLEN.....	Kansas City, Mo.
" IRA R. ALLEN.....	Fair Haven, Vt.
" GUSTAVE ANDERSON.....	Omaha, Neb.
" ALLEN ANDREWS.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.
" JOHN H. ATWOOD.....	Leavenworth, Kan.
" WM. M. BAILEY.....	Detroit, Mich.
" E. E. BALDWIN.....	Wheeling, W. Va.
" IRVING E. BAIRD.....	Jacksonville, Fla.
" FRANK J. BASSETT.....	Erie, Pa.
" WILLIAM F. BECK.....	Olney, Ill.
" THADDEUS B. BEECHER.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
" THOMAS J. BISHOP.....	Greenbush Heights, N. Y.
" HORACE K. BLANCHARD.....	Providence, R. I.
" THOMAS L. BOND.....	Salina, Kan.
" JOHN W. BOYLE.....	Utica, N. Y.
" WM. H. BRAZIER.....	Milwaukee, Wis.
" SAM. BRIGGS.....	Cleveland, Ohio.
" GEORGE L. BROWN.....	Buffalo, N. Y.

Noble W. S. BROWN.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
" JOHN T. BRUSH.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
" ALONZO BRYMER.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" GEORGE H. BURNHAM.....	Providence, R. I.
" LOU BURT.....	Detroit, Mich.
" GEORGE F. RUSS.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.
" DWIGHT BYINGTON.....	Leavenworth, Kan.
" L. W. CAMPBELL.....	Chicago, Ill.
" CHARLES CARY.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
" S. D. W. CLEVELAND.....	Rochester, N. Y.
" HENRY A. COLLINS.....	Toronto, Canada.
" W. H. CRARY.....	St. Paul, Minn.
" CHARLES W. CUSHMAN.....	Buffalo, N. Y.
" D. K. DICKINSON.....	Lead City, S. D.
" HARRISON DINGMAN.....	Washington, D. C.
" JOSEPH L. DOBBIN.....	Minneapolis, Minn.
" V. D. DUBOCE.....	San Francisco, Cal.
" JOSEPH B. EAKINS.....	New York, N. Y.
" CYRUS W. EATON.....	Cedar Rapids, Ia.
" LOUIS P. ECKER.....	Richmond, Va.
" S. R. ELLISON.....	New York, N. Y.
" CHARLES L. FIELD.....	San Francisco, Cal.
" CHAS. H. FISK.....	Covington, Ky.
" WALTER M. FLEMING.....	New York, N. Y.
" C. M. FOSTER.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
" JAMES A. FOX.....	Cambridge, Mass.
" WILLIS S. GARDNER.....	Clinton, Ia.
" THOMAS S. GARDNER.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" JAMES GARRITY.....	Dallas, Texas.
" MELCHERT H. GARTEN.....	Lincoln, Neb.
" HENRY GIBBONS.....	Omaha, Neb.
" FRANK T. GILBERT.....	Buffalo, N. Y.
" FRANK M. GLENN.....	Lincoln, Neb.
" HIRAN T. GRAVES.....	San Francisco, Cal.
" ALBERT B. GUPTILL.....	Fargo, N. D.
" N. S. HARRIS.....	Cleveland, Ohio.
" ED. R. HARRIS.....	Detroit, Mich.
" GEORGE F. HART.....	Tacoma, Wash.
" E. F. HARTZELL.....	St. Joseph, Mo.
" R. O. HAWKINS.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
" OMAR A. HINE.....	Watertown, N. Y.
" CHARLES A. HULLER.....	Salina, Kan.
" AMERICUS V. HOLMES.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
" HUGH A. HOLMES.....	Detroit, Mich.
" JOHN HOYT.....	Davenport, Ia.

Noble	HORACE W. HUBBARD.....	Cleveland, Ohio.
"	THOMAS J. HUDSON.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"	JAMES B. HUDSON.....	Minneapolis, Minn.
"	E. G. E. JACCARD.....	Kansas City, Mo.
"	JOHN B. JONES.....	Utica, N. Y.
"	EDWARD B. JORDAN.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
"	ALFRED B. KELLER.....	Leavenworth, Kan.
"	JAMES KERR, JR.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.
"	M. B. KLOPP.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
"	LAWRENCE M. KNEFFLY.....	Dallas, Texas.
"	RICHARD LAMBERT.....	New Orleans, La.
"	FREDERICK LEIBRANDT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	WM. A. LENT.....	Troy, N. Y.
"	FRANK LOCKE.....	Boston, Mass.
"	GEORGE F. LODER.....	Rochester, N. Y.
"	FRANK M. LUCE.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	SAMUEL McDOWALL.....	Salt Lake City, Utah.
"	ALBERT B. MCGAFFEY.....	Denver, Colo.
"	JAMES MCGEE.....	New York, N. Y.
"	R. P. MARVIN, JR.....	Akron, Ohio.
"	JOHN T. MARSH.....	Pine Bluff, Ark.
"	WILLIAM H. MAYO.....	St. Louis, Mo.
"	EDWARD MEDLER.....	Albuquerque, N. M.
"	WILLIAM B. MELISH.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.
"	OSCAR M. METCALF.....	St. Paul, Minn.
"	WILLIAM MICHIE.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.
"	GEORGE I. MILLER.....	Boone, Ia.
"	GEORGE W. MILLAR.....	New York, N. Y.
"	JAMES H. MONTEATH.....	Butte City, Mont.
"	WILLIAM C. NICKUM.....	Baltimore, Md.
"	GUSTAVE W. NIEMANN.....	St. Louis, Mo.
"	GEORGE L. OSBORN.....	Davenport, Ia.
"	ALBERT M. PENLEY.....	Auburn, Me.
"	SAMUEL C. PIERCE.....	Rochester, N. Y.
"	HENRY D. PINLEY.....	Utica, N. Y.
"	BUN F. PRICE.....	Memphis, Tenn.
"	J. LEWIS RAKE.....	Reading, Pa.
"	CLARK L. RICHARDS.....	Davenport, Iowa.
"	BENJAMIN W. ROWELL.....	Boston, Mass.
"	J. S. ROGERS.....	Providence, R. I.
"	WILLIAM RYAN.....	Louisville, Ky.
"	JOHN A. SCHLENER.....	Minneapolis, Minn.
"	HENRY SCHNEIDER.....	Troy, N. Y.
"	OSCAR SEITZ.....	Salina, Kan.
"	A. N. SLOAN.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.

Noble	JOSEPH W. SMITH	Indianapolis, Ind.
"	JOHN C. SMITH.....	Chicago, Ill.
"	J. HENRY SNYDER.....	Baltimore, Md.
"	GEORGE W. STARR.....	Baltimore, Md.
"	OTTO F. STIFEL.....	St. Louis, Mo.
"	WILLIAM A. STILES	Chicago, Ill.
"	WM. H. STODDARD.....	Sioux Falls, S. D.
"	C. E. STONE.....	St. Paul, Minn.
"	HENRY STOWELL	Troy, N. Y.
"	JOSEPH SWOPE.....	Dallas, Texas.
"	HENRY SETZER, JR.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
"	R. B. SWARTOUT.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.
"	JAMES TYLER	Lincoln, Neb.
"	CHAS. H. VINCENT	Sioux Falls, S. D.
"	GEORGE H. WALKER.....	Washington, D. C.
"	FRED. WALSEN	Denver, Colo.
"	JAMES H. WARDLE.....	Washington, D. C.
"	THOMAS WATERMAN.....	Boston, Mass.
"	CHARLES WHELOCK	Birmingham, Ala.
"	F. C. WHIPPLE.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
"	JOHN H. WILES	Kansas City, Mo.
"	CURTIS H. WINSOR	Sioux Falls, S. D.
"	LOU B. WINSOR.....	Reed City, Mich.
"	MATHEW R. WOLFF.....	Wheeling, W. Va.
"	JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	Philadelphia, Pa.

VISITORS.

A large number of the Nobles of the Order, who were visitors from various parts of the United States and Canada, were present during the session.

Noble Allen, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported a constitutional number present necessary to proceed to business.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

Noble Fisk presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the reading of the Proceedings of the Eighteenth Annual Session be dispensed with and that they be hereby adopted and approved as printed.

Seconded and carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The IMPERIAL POTENTATE appointed the following Committees:

I.—*Jurisprudence and Laws.*

JOSEPH L. DOBBIN,
BUN F. PRICE,

LAWRENCE M. KNEPFY,
HARRISON DINGMAN,
GEORGE H. BURNHAM.

II.—*Dispensations and Charters.*

THOMAS WATERMAN,
JOHN W. BOYLE,
CYRUS W. EATON,
A. B. MCGAFFEY,
GEORGE F. LODER.

III.—*Grievances and Appeals.*

OSCAR M. METCALF,
HENRY GIBBONS,
WILLIAM RYAN,
CHARLES W. CUSHMAN,
CHARLES H. FISK.

IV.—*Finance and Accounts.*

HUGH A. HOLMES,
GEORGE W. MILLAR,
EDWARD B. JORDAN,
DWIGHT BYINGTON,
JOHN A. SCHLENER.

V.—*Credentials.*

E. F. ALLEN,
L. W. CAMPBELL,
THADDEUS B. BEECHER,
RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.,
CLARK L. RICHARDS.

IV.—*Mileage and Pay of Representatives.*

GEORGE F. BUSS,
JOSEPH W. SMITH,
ALONZO BRYMER,
JAMES TYLER,
THOMAS L. BOND.

VII.—*Transactions of Imperial Officers.*

JAMES KERR, JR.,
JOSEPH SWOPE,
CHARLES CARY,
FRANK T. GILBERT,
ALLEN ANDREWS.

VIII.—*Deceased Members.*

HENRY STOWELL,
CURTIS H. WINSOR,
JOHN H. WILES,
S. R. ELLISON,
LOU B. WINSOR.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report :

*To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council,
A. A. O. N. M. S.:*

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report as follows:

Credentials in the proper form have been presented to the Committee as to the following named Nobles, and we recommend that they be received as Representatives of their respective Temples, and be constituted active members of the Imperial Council.

1. WALTER M. FLEMING.....Representative *ad vitam*.
2. SAM. BRIGGS....." "

Abdallah Temple, Leavenworth, Kan.

3. Noble JOHN H. ATWOOD.....Potentate.
4. " ALFRED B. KELLER.....Chief Rabban.
5. " DWIGHT BYINGTON.....Recorder.

Acca Temple, Richmond, Va.

6. Noble LOUIS P. ECKER.....Potentate.

Afifi Temple, Tacoma, Wash.

7. Noble GEO. F. HARTMember.

Al Chymia Temple, Memphis, Tenn.

8. Noble BUN F. PRICE.....Member.

Aleppo Temple, Boston, Mass.

9. Noble THOMAS WATERMANPotentate.
10. " JAMES A. FOX.....High Priest.
11. " BENJAMIN W. ROWELL.....Recorder.
12. " FRANK LOCKE.....Director.

Algeria Temple, Helena, Mont.

13. Noble JAMES H. MONTEATH.....Chief Rabban.

Alhambra Temple, Chattanooga, Tenn.

14. Noble A. N. SLOAN.....High Priest.

Al Koran Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

- 15. Noble RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR. Member.
- 16. " HORACE W. HUBBARD Director.
- 17. " N. S. HARRIS. Member.

Al Malaikah Temple, Los Angeles, Cal.

- 18. *Noble JOHN M. JOHNSTON Assistant Rabban.

Almas Temple, Washington, D. C.

- 19. Noble HARRISON DINGMAN Potentate.
- 20. " GEORGE H. WALKER Recorder.
- 21. " JAMES H. WARDLE Member.

Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.

- 22. Noble JOHN H. WILES Potentate.
- 23. " E. F. ALLEN Past Potentate.
- 24. " E. G. E. JACCARD Member.

Ballut Abyad Temple, Albuquerque, N. M.

- 25. Noble EDWARD MEDLER Past Potentate.

Ben Hur Temple, Austin, Texas.

- 26. *Noble CHARLES S. MORSE Past Potentate.

Boumi Temple, Baltimore, Md.

- 27. Noble WILLIAM C. NICKUM Past Potentate.
- 28. " GEO. W. STARR Potentate.
- 29. " J. HENRY SNYDER Member.

Cyprus Temple, Albany, N. Y.

- 30. Noble THOMAS J. BISHOP Potentate.

Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y.

- 31. Noble GEORGE F. LODER Potentate.
- 32. " SAMUEL C. PIERCE High Priest.
- 33. " S. D. W. CLEVELAND Oriental Guide.

El Jebel Temple, Denver, Colo.

- 34. Noble ALBERT B. MCGAFFEY Past Potentate.
- 35. * " FRANK J. HARD Member.
- 36. " FRED. WALSEN Member.
- 37. * " W. W. ANDERSON Chief Rabban.

El Kahir Temple, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

- 38. Noble CYRUS W. EATON Potentate.
- 39. * " JOSEPH E. NYE Member.
- 40. " GEO. I. MILLER Member.
- 41. " WILLIS S. GARDNER Member.

*The Imperial Council.**El Kalah Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.*

42. Noble SAMUEL McDOWALL..... Chief Rabban.

El Katif Temple, Spokane, Wash.

43. *Noble WM. CARY JONES..... Member.

El Riad Temple, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

44. Noble C. H. WINSOR Potentate.
 45. " CHAS. H. VINCENT..... Treasurer.
 46. " WM. H. STODDARD..... High Priest.

El Zagal Temple, Fargo, North Dakota.

47. Noble A. B. GUPTILL..... Past Potentate.

Hella Temple, Dallas, Tex.

48. Noble JAS. GARRITY..... Member.
 49. " LAWRENCE M. KNEPFY Past Potentate.
 50. " JOSEPH SWOPE..... Oriental Guide.

Isis Temple, Salina, Kan.

51. Noble THOMAS L. BOND Past Potentate.
 52. " CHAS. A. HILLER..... Past Potentate.
 53. " OSCAR SEITZ..... Treasurer.

Islam Temple, San Francisco, Cal.

54. Noble CHARLES L. FIELD..... Past Potentate.
 55. " VICTOR D. DUBOCE..... Recorder.
 56. " HIRAM T. GRAVES..... Potentate.

Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, N. Y.

57. Noble CHARLES W. CUSHMAN..... Potentate.
 58. " FRANK T. GILBERT..... Chief Rabban.
 59. " GEORGE L. BROWN..... Assistant Rabban.

Jerusalem Temple, New Orleans, La.

60. Noble RICHARD LAMBERT..... Recorder.

Kaaba Temple, Davenport, Ia.

61. Noble CLARK L. RICHARDS..... Potentate.
 62. " JOHN HOYT..... Chief Rabban.
 63. " GEO. L. OSBORN..... High Priest.

Kismet Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.

64. Noble ALONZO BRYMER..... Potentate.
 65. " THOS. S. GARDNER..... Member.
 66. " MARTIN B. KLOPP..... Member.

Kora Temple, Lewiston, Me.

67. Noble ALBERT M. PENLEY..... High Priest.

Kosair Temple, Louisville, Ky.

68. Noble WILLIAM RYAN.....Past Potentate.

Lu Lu Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.

69. Noble JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....Potentate.
70. " EDWARD B. JORDAN.....Director.
71. " FREDERICK LEIBRANDT.....Member.
72. " CHAS. CARY.....Recorder.

Mecca Temple, New York, N. Y.

73. Noble GEORGE W. MILLAR.....Treasurer.
74. " JAMES MCGEE.....Member.
75. " JOSEPH B. EAKINS.....Director.
76. " S. R. ELLISON, M. D.....Recorder.

Media Temple, Watertown, N. Y.

77. Noble OMAR A. HINE.....Past Potentate.

Medinah Temple, Chicago, Ill.

78. Noble JOHN CORSON SMITH.....Member.
79. " WILLIAM A. STILES.....Past Potentate.
80. " FRANK M. LUCE.....Recorder.
81. " LEONARD W. CAMPBELL.....Director.

Moola Temple, St. Joseph, Mo.

82. Noble E. F. HARTZELL.....Member.

Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Mo.

83. Noble WILLIAM H. MAYO.....Recorder.
84. " G. W. NIEMANN.....Assistant Rabban.
85. " O. F. STIFEL.....Potentate.

Morocco Temple, Jacksonville, Fla.

86. Noble IRVING E. BAIRD.....Recorder.

Moslem Temple, Detroit, Mich.

87. Noble LOU BURT.....Potentate.
88. " HUGH A. HOLMES.....Director.
89. " ED. R. HARRIS.....First Cer. Master.
90. " WM. M. BAILEY, M. D.....Recorder.

Mount Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vt.

91. Noble IAR R. ALLEN.....Member.

Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Ind.

92. Noble JOHN T. BRUSH.....Potentate.
93. " R. O. HAWKINS.....Assistant Rabban.
94. " JOSEPH W. SMITH.....Recorder.

*The Imperial Council.**Oriental Temple, Troy, N. Y.*

95. Noble HENRY STOWELL.....Past Potentate.
 96. " WM. A. LENT.....Past Potentate.
 97. " HENRY SCHNEIDER.....Assistant Rabban.

Osiris Temple, Wheeling, W. Va.

98. Noble MATHEW R. WOLFF.....High Priest.
 99. " E. E. BALDWIN.....Director.

Osman Temple, St. Paul, Minn.

100. Noble C. E. STONE.....Potentate.
 101. " W. H. CRARY.....Member.
 102. " OSCAR M. METCALF.....Past Potentate.

Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I.

103. Noble GEO. H. BURNHAM.....Past Potentate.
 104. " JOHN S. ROGERS.....Assistant Rabban.
 105. " HORACE K. BLANCHARD.....Past Potentate.

Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn.

106. Noble THADDEUS B. BEECHER.....Potentate.
 107. " HENRY SETZER, JR.....Member.
 108. " CLARENCE M. FOSTER.....Chief Rabban.
 109. " F. C. WHIPPLE.....Member.

Rameses Temple, Toronto, Canada.

110. Noble HENRY ARDAGH COLLINS.....Potentate.

Sahara Temple, Pine Bluff, Ark.

111. Noble JOHN T. MARSH.....Potentate.

Salnam Temple, Olney, Ill.

112. Noble WILLIAM F. BECK.....Past Potentate.

Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, Mich.

113. Noble GEORGE F. BUSS.....Past Potentate.
 114. " R. B. SWARTOUT.....Member.
 115. " LOU B. WINSOR.....Potentate.

Sesostris Temple, Lincoln, Neb.

116. Noble JAMES TYLER.....Potentate.
 117. " MELCHERT H. GARTEN.....Director.
 118. " FRANK M. GLENN.....Recorder.

Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa.

119. Noble THOMAS J. HUDSON.....Potentate.
 120. " WM. S. BROWN.....Oriental Guide.
 121. " A. V. HOLMES.....Assistant Rabban.
 122. " JAMES KERR, JR.....Director.

Syrian Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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| 123. | Noble | WILLIAM B. MELISH..... | Potentate. |
| 124. | " | ALLEN ANDREWS..... | Member. |
| 125. | " | WILLIAM MICHIE..... | Director. |
| 126. | " | CHAS. H. FISK..... | Assistant Rabban. |

Tangier Temple, Omaha, Neb.

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| 127. | Noble | GUSTAVE ANDERSON..... | Past Potentate. |
| 128. | " | HENRY C. AKIN..... | Potentate. |
| 129. | " | HENRY GIBBONS..... | Member. |

Tripoli Temple, Milwaukee, Wis.

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| 130. | *Noble | E. S. ELLIOTT..... | Potentate. |
| 131. | " | WILLIAM H. BRAZIER..... | Trustee. |
| 132. | *" | LUTHER L. CAUFY..... | Chief Rabban. |

Yaarab Temple, Atlanta, Ga.

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| 133. | *Noble | H. C. STOCKDELL..... | Potentate. |
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Zem Zem Temple, Erie, Pa.

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| 134. | Noble | F. J. BASSETT..... | Recorder. |
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Zumora Temple, Birmingham, Ala.

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| 135. | Noble | CHAS. WHEELOCK..... | Past Potentate. |
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Ziyara Temple, Utica, N. Y.

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| 136. | Noble | JOHN W. BOYLE..... | Potentate. |
| 137. | " | HENRY D. PINLEY..... | Member. |
| 138. | " | JOHN B. JONES..... | Member. |

Zuhrak Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.

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| 139. | Noble | JOSEPH L. DOBBIN..... | Potentate. |
| 140. | " | JOHN A. SCHLENER..... | Director. |
| 141. | " | JAMES B. HUDSON..... | Member. |

Credentials have also been received from (142) Naja Temple, U. D., of Deadwood, S. D., appointing Daniel K. Dickinson, also from (143) Rajah Temple, U. D., of Reading, Pa., appointing J. Lewis Rake as their Representatives.

Your committee makes no recommendation in these matters, but leaves its decision to the action of the Imperial Council.

Respectfully submitted

E. F. ALLEN,
LEONARD W. CAMPBELL,
THADDEUS B. BEECHER,
RICHARD P. MARVIN, JR.,
CLARK L. RICHARDS,

Committee.

On motion, the report of the committee was received and adopted.

The Imperial Council.

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT.

Of the above list of Representatives, duly accredited, those marked with an asterisk were absent, numbering nine (9).

The rest of the Representatives were present, numbering one hundred thirty-four (134).

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Imperial Potentate submitted and delivered the following address:

CINCINNATI, OHIO, June 13, 1893.

To the Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

“ES SELAMU ALEIKUM.”

We have assembled in this prosperous central city of our jurisdiction to celebrate the close of the eighteenth year of the establishment of our Order in America. We have been welcomed by the Nobles of the Temple in this Oasis, all loyal to the Imperial Council, and all earnest and energetic in the propagation of our mystic rites. We have heeded the Prophet's call to prayer; the sweet strains of melody from the chanters of the Koran have reached our ears; we are at peace. We are not assembled, however, to listen to the muezzin's drowsy call, but rather to enter with new activity upon the revision of the records of the past year and to prepare for the work of the coming one.

It has been but ten short months since we parted at Omaha, but the events of our history and the limit of our progress are not governed by months. Many thoughts crowd upon me as I view what our Order is, and what it is evidently destined to be, but lack of time will prevent the expression of many of them, for to the business man, overwhelmed with cares, duties and responsibilities growing out of varied interests, the flowers of rhetoric do not spring up unbidden, hence, what my address shall lack of the beautiful language of the Orient, so adaptable to our Order, will be made up, I trust, in the plain recital of important matters, limited to a brief business paper, giving a synopsis of the duties performed by me since you honored me with the office of Imperial Potentate.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

We celebrate to-day the greatest cycle of our history. The growth of the Order in the number of its initiates has been magnificent. The summary of the returns of the Temples, under date of December 31, 1891, showed a total membership of 21,127. During the year of 1892, 6,570 have been added. These figures are brought down to the first of the present year as our returns are all figured up to January 1st of each year. Since January 1st we have had accessions that number about 2,000, making a total membership to date of nearly if not quite 30,000. Our increase in membership

is largely in excess of that of any year in our history, our income is larger, and the future seems to hold out even brighter prospects. It is a magnificent and marvelous record, excelling that of any other secret organization of equal age and character of membership in the world.

The growth of the Order in the number of Temples has been small. The establishing of Temples in territory already crowded or where the growth can be but stunted and sickly is ill-advised, and has been avoided in the issuing of the dispensations.

DISPENSATIONS TO NEW TEMPLES.

Although inquiries have been made in several different directions looking toward dispensations for Temples of our Order, but one has reached the culmination. On April 20, 1893, I issued a dispensation to Illustrious Nobles M. A. Ware, H. T. Smith, Jas. Cunningham, J. T. Allison, W. C. Brady, Jas. Geary and O. H. Catrow to form and open a Temple of the Order in Oklahoma City, in the Territory of Oklahoma, to be known as "India" Temple, N. M. S. Illustrious Noble H. T. Smith was appointed as the first Potentate of the Temple and authorized to conduct the work. This dispensation, as required by law, ceases at this session of the Imperial Council, and is to be continued, recalled, or a charter given at your pleasure. I recommend that the dispensation be continued until the next annual session, inasmuch as the new Temple has been in existence less than thirty days. The Territory of Oklahoma is being rapidly settled. Active and enterprising cities like Oklahoma City, Guthrie, and El Reno are springing up. Bodies of the Masonic Rites from which we draw our candidates have been established, and it is meet that the Shrine go on hand in hand with the Masonic organizations in the development of civilization.

The other applications for dispensations came from jurisdictions where Temples are already established, requiring the consent of the said Temples before action could be taken. Formal papers were presented in the cases of parties at Marquette, Mich., and Columbus, O., Wichita, Kas., and Charlestown, W. Va., but the necessary consents have not as yet been obtained.

It is probable that several applications for dispensations will be made to the Imperial Council direct. The law, as it stands at present, places the power to grant dispensations in the hands of the Imperial Council in all cases where two or more Temples exist in the jurisdiction where the new Temple is to be established: and also where the nearest Temple refuses consent. The only danger in this is that applications for dispensations brought before the Imperial Council in annual session may not have that careful consideration which the importance of the matter demands. It might be well to require that applications for new Temples be filed with the Imperial Potentate for his investigation and recommendation to the Imperial Council.

CHARTERS TO TEMPLES UNDER DISPENSATION.

We have the following Temples under dispensation:

- “HAMASA,” at Meridian, Mississippi.
- “NAJA,” “ Deadwood, S. Dakota.
- “RAJAH,” “ Reading, Pennsylvania.

Each of these bodies have shown commendable progress under dispensation.

“Hamasa,” of Meridian, Miss. (under dispensation of May 28, 1892), occupies a jurisdiction that contains comparatively few persons possessed of the necessary prerequisites for membership. It has conferred the Order upon fifteen candidates during the year 1893, and now numbers thirty-nine members. The Temple has possibly done the best that it could in so barren a territory. I present its petition for a charter without recommendation, so that the proper committee may give it consideration.

“Naja,” of Deadwood, South Dakota, whose dispensation is dated August 15, 1892, presents a detailed statement of its work, showing that it was instituted on October 28, 1892, and conferred the Ancient Arabic Order, in full ceremonial form, upon a large number of candidates. About seventy Nobles have been created, and the Temple is properly equipped with seal, place of meeting, and paraphernalia of the Order.

I take pleasure in recommending that a charter be granted to “Naja” Temple.

“Rajah” Temple of Reading, Pa., received its dispensation at the hands of the Imperial Council on August 15, 1892. It files a transcript of its proceedings under dispensation, which must gratify all who hear it. It was my great pleasure and privilege to inspect this flourishing young Temple, and to see its building and equipment. Rajah Temple owns a building adapted to its work, and representing a total investment of \$20,000.

This Temple building follows the oriental type of architecture, and is equipped with all the paraphernalia and accessories demanded by the ritual. The main hall has a seating capacity of five hundred, is frescoed throughout after original designs, with tapestries, carpets, and furniture in harmony with the general decorations. The building is heated by hot water, and lighted by both electricity and gas. Since August, 1892, Rajah Temple has initiated sixty-five and affiliated twenty-two, and now has a total membership of one hundred and seventy-eight Nobles. I recommend that a charter be granted this most enterprising body.

THE FRATERNAL DEAD.

No reports have been filed with me of the names of the lamented members of the Order who have been called to the Unseen Temple. He, who, whether worshipped under the name of Allah, God, or Jehovah, is the same great Giver of all good things, has spared the officers and representatives of the Imperial Council, and death has not invaded our Temple. I suggest that

space be set apart in our printed records, and that each Temple be requested to furnish a list of the names of their deceased members for inscription thereon.

VISITATION OF TEMPLES BY DEPUTIES.

It has been a matter of impossibility to accept all of the courteous invitations extended me to make a personal inspection of Temples and their work. While not the intention to inspect all Temples during the short term of this official year, I have visited quite a number, concerning which I make further report in this address. Two of the subordinate Temples have been inspected by competent deputies, whose reports are submitted herewith:

INSPECTION OF OSIRIS TEMPLE OF WHEELING, W. VA., BY ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE
THOS. J. HUDSON, IMPERIAL DEPUTY POTENTATE.

PITTSBURG, PA., December 10, 1892.

WILLIAM B. MELISH, ESQ., *Imperial Potentate A. A. O. N. M. S., Cincinnati, Ohio:*

ILLUSTRIOUS SIR—In compliance with request contained in your telegram of the 6th inst. from Reading, Pa., I went to Wheeling, W. Va., on the morning of the 9th inst., as your representative, to inspect the work and condition of Osiris Temple, located at that city, and make report of same to you.

I was accompanied by Illustrious Noble A. B. Wigley, Chief Rabban of Syria Temple. I was received with the honors due to the representative of the Imperial Council, and hospitably entertained by Potentate Frank H. Warden, the officers and members in that Oasis.

At 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon, the Nobles to the number of one-hundred and forty, accompanied by a band, gave a street parade, and attracted much attention from the citizens, after which we repaired to their hall and opened the Temple. Subsequent to the transaction of some preliminary business, the ceremony of inducting fourteen candidates into the Order began. The work was conducted in a very good manner, and the ritual followed as closely as is done in most Temples. The officers and working force knew their duty and how to do it. They are heavily handicapped by not having a suitable hall in which to do the work they are capable of doing. The room used on this occasion was only obtained on the morning of the 9th, and was much too small for the proper exemplification of the work. Heretofore they have had the use of the Masonic Hall, but with the largely increased membership they were obliged to seek more commodious quarters. The membership at present is three hundred and ten. A new Masonic Temple is to be built soon, in which Osiris will have a home, they having invested their surplus money in stock of the new building.

At the close of the ceremonies at the hall, the Nobility repaired to the McLure House, where they and their ladies to the number of two hundred and seventy enjoyed an elaborate banquet, interlarded with oratory and song. At

the conclusion of the banquet a "hop" was indulged in by those inclined to "trip the light fantastic toe."

The Temple is well equipped as to costumes and working appurtenances, and in good condition financially.

I mailed you yesterday copies of the Wheeling papers containing an account of the affair, and enclose herewith the menu of the banquet.

I have the honor to be yours in the faith,

THOS. J. HUDSON,
Deputy Imperial Potentate.

INSPECTION OF ACCA TEMPLE, OF RICHMOND, VA., BY ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE
GEORGE H. WALKER, REPRESENTATIVE TO THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1, 1893.

WILLIAM B. MELISH, ESQ., *Imperial Potentate A. A. O. N. M. S., in Cincinnati, Ohio :*

ILLUSTRIOUS SIR—In accordance with your action in designating me to go as your representative to Richmond, Va., to inspect Acca Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., I have the honor to report that on the 27th of April I visited that Oasis, being favored with an escort en route composed of Illustrious Harrison Dingman, Potentate, and a delegation of fifteen Nobles of Almas Temple, of this city. The Nobility of Acca Temple gave us a most hospitable welcome, sparing neither time nor means in our entertainment.

It is often said that there is a *New South*; that the traditions and customs of former days are disappearing, giving place to a more progressive spirit. True it is that Richmond exhibits on every hand that thrift and enterprise which shall place her in the foremost rank among Southern cities, but in the generosity and hospitality which the Nobility of Acca extend to the stranger within their gates, there is no departure from the true-hearted spirit of long ago. It is recorded of Virginians in colonial days, so desirous were they of giving vent to their hospitable disposition that young men were stationed at crossroads and other points which travelers might pass, to invite the way farers to tarry and break bread; to enjoy the warmth of the glowing fire-place or the protection of the well-thatched roof. Happily this truly Arabic characteristic still prevails among their descendants of Acca Temple. We were met the moment we entered the confines of their Oasis, and ministered unto until behind the "iron horse" of modern caravans we reluctantly bade adieu and were borne homeward.

Few Temples of the Order of the Mystic Shrine are so fortunately situated as Acca. Being joint tenants with various Masonic bodies in the control of the beautiful and commodious Temple recently completed for the fraternity, it occupies an elegant hall devoted exclusively to its purposes, the interior designed and well adapted to the proper rendition of our beautiful ritual. During our visit the Order was conferred in an impressive manner upon a large class of candidates, the Illustrious Potentate, Frederick Pleasants,

being ably assisted by an enthusiastic corps of officers and those veteran Shriners, Past Potentates, Preston Belvin and Louis P. Ecker, Imperial First Ceremonial Master.

Acca Temple exhibits a healthy growth. It bears upon its roll of membership the names of many honored in public station as well as in the Order of Freemasonry. That its influence for good is felt in the community wherein it dwells, I have no doubt.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. WALKER.

OFFICIAL VISITATIONS MADE BY THE IMPERIAL POTENTATE.

In entering upon the duties of my office I determined to visit a number of the Temples and learn their condition by a personal inspection of the equipment of each and their ability to do the work. Accordingly, early in the winter I arranged for a trip to the eastern part of our jurisdiction. During the three weeks at my disposal I visited "Damascus" Temple at Rochester, N. Y.; "Ziyara," of Utica, N. Y., at its meeting at Binghamton; "Cyprus," of Albany, N. Y.; "Aleppo," of Boston; "Kismet," of Brooklyn; "Lu-Lu," of Philadelphia; "Rajah," of Reading, Pa., and "Almas," of Washington, D. C., each of these Temples conferring the Order in full. I also had the pleasure of meeting the officers of "Mecca" Temple, of New York City, and of inspecting their working apartments. It was also my desire to inspect several other Temples in the East, but the dates of meeting seemed to conflict and I found it impossible to do so.

I ask permission of the Imperial Council to publish a detailed account of the inspections made in the printed Proceedings as a part of this address or as an appendix. Justice to the Temples visited would require that I now read the words of commendation to which they are entitled, but the length of time which must necessarily be taken in presenting other matters that are more pressing at this session will prevent my doing so. Suffice it to say that each Temple seemed to vie with the others in excellence of work, in completeness of the accessories necessary to a perfect rendering of the ritual and in courtesies to the Imperial Potentate. My wife accompanied me to Rochester, Albany and Washington, and was the recipient of many kindnesses at the hands of the ladies of the Temples at those places, all of which was highly enjoyed and is gratefully remembered.

Later in the year I officially inspected "Ismailia" Temple, of Buffalo, N. Y., "Moslem," of Detroit, Mich., and "Syria," of Pittsburgh, Pa., where the same courtesies were extended as in the East, a detailed account of which I will submit later on.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS.

The usual number of dispensations to ballot upon candidates at special sessions have been granted, the most of them being for occasions of work at

points other than the home location of Temples, and where petitions of candidates were not always obtainable in advance. In all such cases, however, I required Potentates to give notice to their members that candidates would be balloted for by virtue of a special dispensation. "Mecca" Temple, of New York City, asked for a dispensation to confer the Order by communication upon a number of candidates resident in the City of Mexico, and upon the occasion of an excursion to that city by a number of members of the New York Temple. It was claimed that the candidates had been elected by "Mecca" Temple, but even that fact did not permit of dispensation for initiation into the Arabic mysteries *by communication*. The law is explicit, and gives the Imperial Potentate the right to confer the Order at sight, "but *only* for the purpose of organizing new Temples under dispensation in unoccupied territory." I was compelled to decline the dispensation asked for, it not being my legal prerogative to grant it.

Several requests were made for authority to confer the Order at sight, upon persons of note, without the usual formalities being complied with. I have held that this can not be done under the laws of the Order. If candidates are elected and the Temple convened to confer the Orders, any curtailing of the full ceremonial is a matter over which the presiding officer and the Temple have complete control, but to confer the Order in any other place than a regular Temple duly assembled under proper authority, is entirely irregular, and no one, Imperial Potentate or Potentate, has the right to sanction it.

RITUAL.

As directed by the Imperial Council, at its last session, I appointed a Ritual Committee consisting of one representative from each State or Territory where a Temple of our Order is located. The Committee is as follows:

Alabama.....	Chas. Wheelock.
Arkansas.....	Jno. T. Marsh.
California.....	H. T. Graves.
Colorado.....	A. B. McGaffey.
Connecticut.....	Thad. B. Beecher.
District of Columbia.....	Geo. H. Walker.
Florida.....	I. E. Baird.
Georgia.....	H. C. Stockdell.
Illinois.....	John A. May.
Indiana.....	R. O. Hawkins.
Iowa.....	W. S. Gardner.
Kansas.....	Chas. A. Hiller.
Kentucky.....	Wm. Ryan.
Louisiana.....	Richard Lambert.
Maine.....	A. M. Penley.
Maryland.....	Geo. W. Starr.
Massachusetts.....	Thomas Waterman.

Michigan.....	George F. Buss.
Minnesota.....	O. M. Metcalf.
Missouri.....	E. F. Allen.
Mississippi.....	No representative.
Montana.....	Jas. H. Monteath.
Nebraska.....	Henry C. Akin.
New Mexico.....	Edward Medler.
New York.....	C. W. Cushman.
North Dakota.....	R. E. Fleming.
Ohio.....	Sam. Briggs.
Oregon.....	No credentials filed.
Pennsylvania.....	Win. S. Brown.
Rhode Island.....	H. K. Blanchard.
South Dakota.....	Dan. K. Dickinson.
Tennessee.....	A. N. Sloan.
Texas.....	L. M. Knepfly.
Utah.....	Samuel McDowall.
Vermont.....	Ira R. Allen.
Virginia.....	L. P. Ecker.
Washington.....	George F. Hart.
West Virginia.....	M. R. Wolff.
Wisconsin.....	Eugene S. Elliott.
Canada.....	Henry A. Collins.

To the above list I added Illustrious Noble A. L. Rawson, an emeritus member of the Imperial Council, whose travels and researches in Oriental countries, and whose intimate connection with the preparation of former rituals of the Order seemed to make it essential and highly desirable that he give the committee the benefit of his knowledge. This committee have been in session and will present the result of their labors. I urge upon the Imperial Council a patient and careful consideration of this most important subject. There are parts of our Ritual that are inimitable, and these can safely be retained, and doubtless will be, in the report of the committee. There are other portions, notably in the concluding section, that are virtually abandoned by two-thirds of the Temples as being entirely lacking in true dramatic interest, that inculcate no moral lesson, and that seem entirely unworthy the continued use and approval of an Order which does not teach mysteries belonging to, or used by, any secret society other than itself. Let us retain all the good and throw away the chaff, and give to the Temples of the Order a Ritual that it will be a pleasure and a profit to work from beginning to end.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Under our Constitution, and in the government of the Order as at present established, there is no authority for the creation of Foreign Representa-

tives, Representatives to the Temples of the East, etc., etc. I fail to see any necessity of keeping up offices which exist only in name, or in cultivating any connection with foreign secret societies, analogous to ours, until advances in that direction are made by them, by properly authenticated documents or by accredited Representatives to this Imperial Council. While I do not question the antiquity of the Arabic Orders from which we inherit our Mystic Rites, and do not decry the lessons, symbols, rites and customs held in such high esteem by those who practiced them centuries ago, yet, in the conduct of the business of the Imperial Council for North America we certainly ought to make alliances with only Imperial or governing bodies of like standing with our own, and await overtures from them, or else ask for recognition at their hands, through recognized channels of communication.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The only items of unfinished business coming over from the Imperial Council Session of 1892 consists of an amendment to the By-Laws, appearing on page 77, and the application of certain Nobles at Topeka for a Temple of the Order; also the consideration of the report of the Committee on Ritual. These matters have been placed before you in the official call for this meeting, and will go to the proper committees for consideration and report.

JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

It has not been found necessary, on my part, to make any new decisions of law. The revised reprint of the "Constitution and Laws" was placed in the hands of each Potentate and Recorder as early as possible, and has proven a sufficient guide in the government of the affairs of the subordinate Temples. A number of questions were submitted and answered, but no new points of jurisprudence were presented. A number of amendments to the Constitution have been filed with the Imperial Recorder, and will come up for consideration at the your hands. The amendment referring to the manner of suspending or expelling a Noble from the Order, and that making a clearer definition of jurisdictional lines are worthy the special consideration of the Imperial Council.

THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ACTING IMPERIAL RECORDER.

On or about February 7, 1893, it became necessary to appoint some one to act as Imperial Recorder for the balance of the Shrine year, or until the session of the Imperial Council. I accordingly appointed Illustrious Noble Wm. H. Mayo, of Moolah Temple, of St. Louis, Mo. The Illustrious Noble entered upon the duties of the office, and while deprecating the necessity of his appointment, realized the duty of accepting the responsibilities and conducting the affairs of the office in the interests of the Order. To those who have known Noble Mayo for years as a member of this Imperial Council, and have recognized his signal ability as the Grand Secretary for

many years of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, Grand Chapter and Grand Council of Missouri, I need not speak in detail of the painstaking attention to his new duties that the Illustrious Noble has given since the date of his appointment. All matters intrusted to him have had prompt and courteous attention. He will present his report as acting Imperial Recorder, and I am certain it will meet with your approval. In requesting Noble Mayo to assume the duties of Imperial Recorder, I agreed that his salary should be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, for which I ask the approval of the Imperial Council.

The announcement of the appointment of an acting Imperial Recorder brings me to the presentation of the only matter that has detracted from the otherwise unalloyed pleasure of my official relations with the Nobility of the Shrine, as their Imperial Potentate.

THE SUSPENSION OF FRANK M. LUCE AS IMPERIAL RECORDER.

On February 4th, 1893, Noble Frank M. Luce, over his own signature, and in his capacity of Imperial Recorder, published to the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and to the public generally, and mailed to a large number of people the following circular (the italics ours):

IMPORTANT.

READ CAREFULLY.

Our Imperial Potentate, Wm. B. Melish, has issued a list of Temples and officers under date of February 1, 1893, *without my consent*, and has attached a memorandum thereto stating that the list issued by the Imperial Recorder under date of January 23d is not correct.

NO SUCH LIST HAS BEEN ISSUED BY ME.

I sent our Imperial Potentate a proof, which was to be corrected and returned to me, but he has never done so. I am extremely sorry that our Imperial Potentate has cast this slur upon me, and I do not believe that the Potentates, Recorders and Representatives of the Temples will uphold him in such a *contemptible, mean trick*. The list issued by him is not correct in many particulars. I will issue a list this day which I know to be correct. Potentates, Recorders and Representatives are respectfully requested to use the list issued from my office under date of February 4th, which is correct.

Yours in the Faith,

FRANK M. LUCE,
Imperial Recorder.

No copy of this circular was sent to the Imperial Potentate, nor to either of the Representatives of the Temple at Cincinnati, nor to either of its officers.

Upon receipt of a copy of the circular by the hand of a member of the

Imperial Council, and considering the issuing of said circular and the improper language and tone of it to be the culmination of a number of like acts of insubordination by the Imperial Recorder, I suspended Frank M. Luce from the office of Imperial Recorder by the following official edict:

FRANK M. LUCE, ESQ., *Imperial Recorder of the Imperial Council Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America, Chicago, Ill.*

IMPERIAL AND ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE—You are hereby, by virtue of this my official edict, suspended from the office of Imperial Recorder of the Imperial Council for North America, for violation of law, neglect of the duties of your office, and disobedience of orders issued by me as Imperial Potentate. This suspension will remain in force until the next session of the Imperial Council, unless sooner revoked. I will give directions for the disposition of the property of the Imperial Council, now in your charge, in a few days.

Done under my hand and seal this 7th day of February, 1893, in the city of Cincinnati.

W. B. MELISH,
Imperial Potentate.

[SEAL]

On the same day that I notified Noble Luce of his suspension I telegraphed to each Potentate in our jurisdiction, informing each of my official act and requesting them to await my official edict.

On February 14, 1893, I issued my official proclamation as follows:

IMPERIAL EDICT No. 1.

{ OFFICE OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE,
{ CINCINNATI, O., February 7, 1893.

To the Officers of and Representatives to the Imperial Council A. A. O. N. M. S. for North America, and to the Potentates, Officers and Nobles of all the Temples of the Order:

GREETING: *Whereas*, The Imperial Recorder, Noble Frank M. Luce, has repeatedly violated the laws of the Imperial Council, and has flagrantly disobeyed the orders of the Imperial Potentate;

And Whereas, The said Imperial Recorder has issued a circular headed "Important! Read Carefully!" said circular containing false and malicious statements, and which is in itself an act of gross insubordination and disrespect to the Imperial Council and the Imperial Potentate;

And Whereas, The issuing of circulars or letters to members of the Order by the Imperial Recorder, acting as such, and without the permission of the Imperial Potentate, is beyond the powers, rights and prerogatives of his office, and in direct violation of an order given him to that effect;

Therefore, by virtue of the power vested in me as Imperial Potentate for

North America, I do hereby suspend the said Imperial Recorder, Noble Frank M. Luce, from office until the next session of the Imperial Council.

Illustrious Noble Wm. H. Mayo, Freemasons Hall, St. Louis, Mo., is hereby appointed to act as Imperial Recorder until the next session of the Imperial Council.

Done on the date and at the place first written above.

WM. B. MELISH,

[SEAL]

Imperial Potentate.

Frank M. Luce was suspended from office for three reasons:

1. Neglect of duties of his office as Imperial Recorder.
2. Violation of law of the Imperial Council.
3. Disobedience of orders issued by me as Imperial Potentate.

It is therefore necessary that I report to the Imperial Council the specifications of these three charges in detail. I have avoided newspaper discussions of this unfortunate affair, and have made no answers to the improper and grossly inaccurate circular letter and pamphlet issued by Noble Frank M. Luce since his suspension from office, for the reason that the Imperial Council itself is the only tribunal under our law which can pass upon matters of law and usage, and any attempts to influence its judgment by the unauthorized publication of its affairs are highly pernicious, and calculated to foment discord and dissension among the Nobility of the Order. I will present *facts* as briefly as possible, referring to original papers only, and to such matters as have been reported to me over the signature of Noble Luce himself. I will "nothing extenuate nor set down aught in malice."

Immediately after the close of the last session of the Imperial Council on August 22d, I wrote the Imperial Recorder:

"We must practice economy during the ensuing year, and to that end I suggest that you secure bids on all work of any large amounts so as to have competition and low prices. This must be the case particularly in the printing of the Annual Proceedings."

In spite of this admonition the work of printing the proceedings was given out without even so much as asking the party who received the contract to make a price on it, and without any competition. Although subsequently urged by me to have a stated price named even after the work was awarded, and many days before the work was in hand, and in the face of a bid from a reliable party quoting a price of \$182 for the work, the Imperial Recorder neglected to do so, and subsequently presented a bill of \$282 for the work, which amount had to be paid. In the printing of diplomas, a job of \$165, no competition was had, although since the suspension of the Imperial Recorder another house has made new lithographic stones, and done the work for a price no more than printing the diplomas from the old stones that were the property of the Imperial Council.

The Imperial Recorder assumed that he was a law unto himself, and entirely outside the authority of the Imperial Potentate.

As early as September 6, 1892, he writes :

“ Don't try to run me; I am not built that way.”

To this remark I replied that it “ was regarded by me as rather a singular postscript to an official letter, and I passed it by with the thought that you were out of sorts and disposed to be quarrelsome even with friends.”

On September 15, 1892, without having any exciting cause, he addressed the Imperial Potentate as follows:

“ We might as well understand each other from the start. I will attend to my business strictly and not interfere with you in the least, and on the other hand I want you to keep your hands off of me. There are certain things that you have the right to advise me about, but I think you are going beyond the limit when you endeavor to lay down rules to me, as you started in to do. I will get the printing of this office done wherever I please, and it is none of your business what printers I patronize; and, on the other hand, you can get your printing done in Japan if you so desire. I do not care.

“ I expected this year would be smooth and pleasant; that you and I could get along well together, but if you keep up the same racket that you have commenced, I am afraid you have run up against a snag.”

To this very remarkable communication, having the interest of the Order at heart, and realizing that my ideas regarding the administration of the affairs of the Imperial Council on the line of economy and a strict adherence to law were not such as the Imperial Recorder had been accustomed to, I resolved to be patient and considerate so as to prevent any open rupture with Noble Luce, and, if possible, avoid the necessity of suspending him from office. I accordingly sent him the following reply to his intemperate language:

CINCINNATI, September 17, 1892.

FRANK M. LUCE, Esq., *Imperial Recorder, Chicago, Ill.*:

Illus. and Dear Noble—In answer to your letter of the 15th, addressed to me officially and signed by you in an official sense, I shall confine myself solely to our relations as Imperial Potentate and Imperial Recorder. I am surprised and deeply pained at the position assumed by you, and by the disrespectful and defiant tenor of your letter. The Imperial Potentate is the executive head of the Order, and all officers of the Imperial Council, as well as all Temples and Nobles, are under his direction and control. He has the right to do all such acts as in his judgment the interests of the Order may require. His instructions are to be obeyed by all subordinate officers in all matters of administration during the recess of the Imperial Council. When you address me in your letter of the 15th as follows: “ We might as well

understand each other from the start. I will attend to my business strictly and not interfere with you in the least, and on the other hand I want you to keep your hands off of me," and when a little further along in your letter you add, "I expected that this year would be smooth and pleasant; that you and I could get along well together, but if you keep up the same racket that you have commenced I am afraid you have run up against a snag," you compel me to say that this style of address from a subordinate officer to the Imperial Potentate is entirely without excuse, and will not be tolerated. I trust that in your cooler moments you will withdraw your offensive remarks, and agree with me that a cheerful obedience to my official requests by the Imperial Recorder will tend to the general good of the Order. I will be glad to have your advice and suggestions on all matters pertaining to the Imperial Council, and I particularly call your attention to the fact that in everything that I have written you in reference to the duties of your office, I have said nothing reflecting upon you as an officer or as a Noble, and that my suggestions have been solely in the direction of an economical and business-like administration of the affairs of the body. I shall continue to make such suggestions, and give such counsel, and order such acts performed as may be necessary to carry out what I deem the interests of the Order require, and I hope to have the co-operation of every officer of the Imperial Council, every Representative, and every Potentate. As you come into more intimate relations officially with me than any other of my official corps, may I not look for your hearty co-operation and loyal support?

Very sincerely yours,

W. B. MELISH,

Imperial Potentate.

The Imperial Council session of August 16th had been adjourned a month, and no copy of the minutes of the body had been made, nor was the Imperial Recorder able to tell what the actual proceedings of the Imperial Council had been.

The astounding discovery was made that the Imperial Recorder has never made a record of the transactions of the Imperial Council, and the body to-day has no book of record or minutes. This is in direct violation of Sec. 1 of Art. VIII of the Constitution, which requires that the Imperial Recorder "shall keep a true record of all the work, deliberations and transactions of the Imperial Council, and transcribe the same in a book kept for the purpose."

The printed proceedings are the only records, and if errors appear in them there are no original records to refer to; at least for any of the years that Noble Luce has been Imperial Recorder. Previous to the preparation of the minutes for publication a number of questions were asked of the Imperial Potentate regarding the doings of the Imperial Council, which he was unable to answer. The reprint of the Constitution and Laws was delayed for weeks. The Imperial Recorder received the transcript of the official

stenographer's notes on or about September 20th, and on September 23d I wrote him as follows:

"If the printer is not at work upon the minutes of the Council, I would like to have you express them to me, that I may look them over and know definitely about several points in the proceedings of the Imperial Council. There are a number of matters which were changed slightly, such as the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, and some other things that I am not certain about, and I do not want to make any mistakes in answering questions, or in giving out information, or in reporting on the new Constitution and Laws. This latter reprint is asked for by a number of Potentates, and while I have it in the hands of the printer, we can not issue it until we know exactly what the record of the Imperial Council proceedings shows. If, however, the printer is at work upon that part of the proceedings which refer to our minutes, I will await the proofs; but, if you get this on Saturday, and can express me the package on Sunday or Monday, I will keep it but twenty-four hours."

Noble Luce received this request on Saturday but did not send the minutes. He claimed to be at work upon them, and that he could not send them. This was on September 24th. The minutes were subsequently issued on November 17th.

On October 7th I was still without the official record, although nearly two months had elapsed since the annual session. The Imperial Recorder was requested to send the minutes for inspection if only for twelve hours. Noble Luce ignored the request and did not send them, although they were all in his hands and the printer was not working on them at the time. This studied neglect of the Imperial Recorder in complying with my requests, and the needless delay to which every interest of the Order was subjected, determined me to bring matters to a head, and I, therefore, sent him a peremptory telegram on October 13th demanding the minutes, and received them on October 14th. They were promptly returned to the Imperial Recorder on the 15th.

On or about October 20th I received the printer's proof of the proceedings of the Imperial Council, Noble Luce assuring me that they were all ready to go to press. I found them the worst mixed up lot of matter that I have ever seen in all my experience. The reports of various committees, made on separate days, were all placed together, and the record thus made was not, in very many particulars, the actual proceedings of the Imperial Council, as shown by the minutes of the official stenographer. Knowing the inexcusable errors which marred the proceedings of 1892, I was compelled to re-arrange all the work, page it up and prepare it for publication. I have kept the original proofs to verify my statement, and will submit them to the Imperial Council.

On September 20, 1892, I sent copy for a circular regarding the acts of the Imperial Council at Omaha to the Imperial Recorder, asking him to

issue it immediately. It required two letters to secure attention to it, and then it was not issued until October 7th, nearly three weeks after it had been prepared.

When the Imperial Recorder began issuing diplomas during the present year of the Imperial Council, the first lot had the names handsomely engrossed in script. The next lot were written in miserable handwriting, and were unfit to be issued as an official document of the Imperial Council, for which Temples were required to pay two dollars each. I called the Imperial Recorder's attention to this, and he ignored my letter. I wrote him again, and he answered as follows:

"I thought perhaps the Imperial Council could stand the expense of having them engrossed, therefore I have been paying five cents each for these diplomas, but immediately upon the receipt of your letter calling my attention to the condition of the finances of the Imperial Council, and requesting me to be extremely careful during the coming year, *at your suggestion* I cut off this expense, and will hereafter fill them out in handwriting, and will not have them engrossed."

The coolness and assurance of this position, taken by an officer who had already shown extravagance in everything connected with his office, can be best appreciated after reading my reply to his letter, as follows:

"In regard to the manner of engrossing the certificates of membership which we issue to the members, I beg to say that I have looked into the matter and I think it will be better for all concerned that they be engrossed as before. My reasons for this are as follows: During your first year of office, 1889 to 1890, you presented bills for engrossing diplomas. In the action had by the Imperial Council at its session of 1890, held at Pittsburgh, definite action was taken in regard to these bills, and I refer you to page 39 of the Proceedings of 1890. In the report of the Committee on Finance and Accounts you will read, 'We recommend that the Imperial Recorder for the ensuing year be paid the sum of \$1,000.00, the same to cover all services rendered to the Imperial Council, including salary, office rent, office expenses and engrossing diplomas, this sum not to cover stationery, printing, postage or expressage.' On page 40 you will see that the recommendations of the Committee were adopted. By reference to the Proceedings of 1891, and to your reports as Imperial Recorder of 1892, I fail to find any bills for engrossing diplomas since the date of this action, hence I think that you will conclude with me that they are properly chargeable to the expense of your office. If I am correctly informed you made a statement to the Finance Committee at Omaha in reference to the expenses of your office, and an extra compensation was granted to you for the past year and for the present one. Would it not rather reflect upon you if you were to change the manner of issuing these diplomas in the face of the increased allowance made you for salary and expenses? Taking this view of it, I would suggest

that you continue issuing the diplomas in the same manner as during the past two years."

Since the receipt of this letter the Imperial Recorder has had a variable policy. To a few Temples he has sent engrossed diplomas. Aleppo Temple, of Boston, refused to receive the badly written style, and the Imperial Council was put to the expense of furnishing a large number of duplicates. Lu Lu Temple, of Philadelphia, received its entire complement of 500 diplomas engrossed in script. Other Temples received the cheaper style, at no inconsiderable saving to Noble Luce. This was in the face of an *extra* allowance of one thousand dollars voted the Imperial Recorder at Omaha and an increase of salary to the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for the present year.

On September 29, 1892, the Imperial Recorder issued an order to the several Potentates of Temples to return to him the rituals sent them by order of the Imperial Council prior to the Omaha session. This was without orders from the Imperial Council, and was done without consultation with the Imperial Potentate.

I immediately directed that the order be revoked, which was done. On October 1, 1892, I wrote the Imperial Recorder in this connection, as follows:

"In future I must insist that you confine yourself to the duties of Imperial Recorder, and that no orders be issued to the several Potentates of Temples without my approval and orders to you so to do."

The Imperial Recorder wrote me the following excuse on October 3d:

"I was under the impression that by action of the Imperial Council I was instructed to recall the new Rituals. There were *so many* Potentates that handed them to me at the Omaha meeting, and previous to the meeting, saying they had no further use for them, that I thought it was proper to follow what I thought was the instructions of the Imperial Council and call them in."

Upon inquiry as to who the *many* were, the Imperial Recorder says:

"Sam Briggs returned the Rituals to me within ten days after they were issued. Thos. J. Hudson also returned his to me, and Wm. A. Stiles, Lou Burt and Henry C. Akin have already returned theirs to me."

Of the Nobles named all of them, except Noble Briggs, received them again, and hold them subject to the order of the Imperial Council.

Early in October I wrote the Imperial Treasurer for a statement of the cash received by him from the Imperial Recorder. I also asked the Imperial Recorder to give the amount of his receipts since the date of his last report in July, 1892.

The Imperial Treasurer reported that he had not received any remittance from the Imperial Recorder for three months, or since July 14, 1892. The

Imperial Recorder paid no attention to my request, and on October 13, 1892, I gave him an official notice that he was not complying with the law, as follows:

"I notice from the Imperial Treasurer's account that you have made him no remittance of Imperial Council receipts since July 13th last. I wrote you several weeks ago requesting that this be attended to. If you will refer to Sec. 2 of Art. VIII of the Constitution of the Imperial Council you will see that you are not complying with it."

Art. VIII, Sec. 2, reads: "He (the Imperial Recorder) shall collect and receive all the revenues of the Imperial Council, and pay over the amount to the Imperial Treasurer whenever the sum reaches the amount of one hundred dollars."

On October 15th the Imperial Recorder wrote as follows:

"I will this day make a remittance to our Imperial Treasurer, and will from time to time send him money as I receive it. I presume you understand the receipts are very light during the months of July, August and September; they will be much heavier during December and January."

The account of the receipts was not filed, although a remittance of \$100 was made on October 17th. The amount which should have been in the treasury at that time was \$2,096 (two thousand and ninety-six dollars). On October 28th \$100 was remitted. On November 4th and 7th, \$100 each; on November 24th, \$200. During this period the payments made by the Imperial Recorder did not equal his receipts. With his liabilities to the Imperial Treasury increasing, I considered it my official duty to insist upon a statement being filed, and a more business-like accounting made of the receipts of the Imperial Council. I, therefore, wrote Noble Luce from time to time, but it was not until November 21st that I received a statement at his hands. This statement covered the receipts from July 14 to November 1, 1892. It showed receipts of \$2,510, and that up to November 21st but \$1,000 of this had been paid over to the Imperial Treasurer. The statement is as follows:

Receipts from July 14th to August 1st.....	\$1,004 00
" " August 1st to August 12th.....	298 00
" during September.....	504 00
" " October	704 00
Total.....	<u>\$2,510 00</u>

Received by Imperial Treasurer:

October 19.....	\$100 00
" 28.....	100 00
November 4.....	100 00
" 7.....	100 00
" 12.....	200 00
" 24.....	400 00— 1,000 00
Due Imperial Treasurer November 1st.....	<u>\$1,510 00</u>

It will be seen that Frank M. Luce, acting as Imperial Recorder, collected \$1,302 during the thirty days immediately prior to the last session of the Imperial Council, in Omaha, on August 16, 1892, not one cent of which was paid over to the Imperial Treasurer, or even reported to the Imperial Council at its session. Within two days after the Omaha session the Imperial Recorder drew the extra \$1,000 dollars so generously voted him by the Imperial Council, but not a penny of the \$1,302 in his hands at the time, and belonging to the Imperial Body, was paid over until October 17th, and then only \$100. On November 5th the Imperial Recorder wrote:

"I am sending our Imperial Treasurer remittances from time to time. I have just sent him \$200. As fast as I receive cash I will send it to him."

On November 17th the Imperial Recorder wrote:

"In a short time I will remit to our Imperial Treasurer the amount of money in my hands, and give you a detailed statement of receipts. I trust this explanation will be entirely satisfactory. You know, as well as I do, that there has not been a large amount of cash received, and we will not commence to receive any large amounts until after the first of January."

At this time there was \$2,515 of Imperial Council funds in the hands of the Imperial Recorder.

The difficulty in securing prompt settlements from the Imperial Recorder led me to compare his actions during the present year with those of 1891-92. I found that the following amounts were due the Imperial Council on the dates named, and were in the hands of the Imperial Recorder instead of being in the treasury:

On September 1, 1891.....	\$1,665 00
" November 1, "	2,000 31
" January 1, 1892.....	3,519 31
" March 1, "	6,902 31
" May 1, "	8,182 31
" July 1, "	8,100 31

The bond of the Imperial Recorder was and is \$2,000. During the thirteen days of July, 1892, the Imperial Recorder paid over to the Imperial Treasurer, \$8,959.31, to balance his accounts in time for the Imperial Council session of 1892, and as stated elsewhere in this report did not pay over \$1,302 belonging to the Imperial Council when that body met. Learning of these facts, all of which are taken from the personal statements of Noble Luce over his signature, I was the more determined that the record for 1892-93 should be different, and kept in accordance with law.

On December 1st there was in the hands of the Imperial Recorder the sum of \$2,790. My frequent letters to Noble Luce urging a settlement of this balance had led to ill feeling on his part. He drew on the Imperial Treasurer on December 10th for \$500 on his salary account, and as he was

owing the body \$3,365, I thought best to withhold payment of his salary voucher until a settlement had been made by him.

On December 21st I wrote him:

"I beg to say that on December 10th I requested of you a statement of your cash receipts as Imperial Recorder up to December 1, 1892. This request you have paid no attention to, and persist in your violation of the law of the Imperial Council governing your office. I will not draw any order for your salary while you are willfully neglecting so important a matter as this. I now request your official statement of receipts to December 15th, and immediate payment of the same to the Imperial Treasurer."

In response to this letter, I received the following:

"CHICAGO, Dec. 22, 1892.

"I am in receipt of your letter of the 21st. I do not think there is anything is the Constitution and By-laws that would compel me to make a statement to you every few days as to the exact standing of accounts; at the same time I am not disposed to wrangle with you or any one else. I shall be very busy until the first of January, but very soon after the close of the year I will make up my account, in full to the first of January, and will remit to our Imperial Treasurer. I do not think you have any right to hold back my salary; the payment of this does not need your approval. If you so desire, you may retain the voucher and I will make out a new one and send it to our Imperial Treasurer as cash. My salary was fixed by action of the Imperial Council, and not by you as Imperial Potentate.

"I desire to call your attention to page 77 of the 18th Annual Proceedings of our meeting at Omaha on August 15 and 16, 1892, which reads: 'It was moved and seconded that the Imperial Potentate, Imperial Treasurer and Imperial Recorder be constituted a board of trustees to care for the funds and securities of the Imperial Council.' This motion was carried, and I am, therefore, as much entitled to a voice as to what shall be done with the funds of the Imperial Council as you have.

Yours in the faith,

FRANK M. LUCE,

Imperial Recorder."

On the day that Noble Luce wrote the foregoing letter he had in his hands \$3,680 of Imperial Council funds. No remittance had been made for a month. The balance due the treasury was increasing steadily. Delay, delay, was the cry. I determined to secure the payment of the funds by January 1, 1893, or suspend the Imperial Recorder from office. I accordingly wrote him as follows:

CINCINNATI, Dec. 23, 1892.

FRANK M. LUCE, Esq., *Imperial Recorder, Chicago, Ill.*

Imperial and Dear Sir—I have before me your letter of December 22d and will answer the various points that you bring up. You think there is

nothing in the Constitution and By-Laws to compel you to make up a statement for me every few days as to the exact standing of accounts. The Constitution provides that you must remit to the Imperial Treasurer whenever you have \$100 in your hands belonging to the Imperial Council. In direct violation of this law you have been in the habit ever since you held your office of holding back your remittances until at times in the past you have had several thousand dollars in your possession. This has been permitted by previous Imperial Potentates, but will not be allowed during my administration. Your action in this respect has brought you under the comment and criticism of many members of the Imperial Council, and within the last month I have been asked by quite a number as to your course in this particular. I have so far endeavored to shield your open violation of the duties of your office, and have made no public comment upon this and other things which you do, and in which you have no sanction by law. You say that you shall be very busy until the first of January, etc. It will not take you one hour's time for either you or your stenographer to make up your cash account with which you are in arrears. All that is necessary for you to do is to state the names of the Temples and the dates of their remittances. I do not expect a long detailed statement of the names of the individuals from whom \$2 has been remitted, etc., and the items on your cash account when tabulated under the name of Temples will probably not exceed twenty or thirty. You either have the money which belongs to the Imperial Council on hand, or you have not. I make no charge that you have not, but it is my business, as Imperial Potentate, to know that the receipts of the Order are properly turned over by you. Until I do know this I believe that I am fully justified in withholding my approval of your voucher for salary, and have accordingly done so. If you desire me to approve of that voucher and send it to the Imperial Treasurer as cash on your account, I will do so if you will write him a letter to that effect, and authorize him to deposit the check which he will draw in your favor. You say that the payment of your salary does not need my approval, that it is fixed by action of the Imperial Council, and not by the Imperial Potentate. I am making no complaint about the amount of your voucher, but you can rest assured that no voucher can be paid without my approval, as required by the Imperial Council at its last session.

You quote from page 77 of the 1892 Proceedings in regard to a board of trustees constituted to care for the funds and securities of the Imperial Council. When I receive the money which the Imperial Council ordered invested in securities, I will invest it and deposit said securities in a Safety Deposit vault in the name of Wm. B. Melish, Frank M. Luce and Jos. S. Wright, as trustees for the Imperial Council. Further than that the trustees have no duties to perform. I have you credited with too much intelligence to imagine for a moment that you think the funds referred to in the resolution pertain to the current funds as they are received from month to month. Those are vested by the Constitution in the care of the Imperial

Treasurer, and even if you were to claim that the resolution did apply to the funds on hand in the treasury, it would then be illegal and inoperative, because the Imperial Council can not by resolution set aside its constitutional law. Now, my dear sir, I have written you patiently and calmly, and for the purpose of showing you that you are entirely wrong in the premises, and in the position that you take. I have never in all my experience had so much bickering or opposition from a subordinate officer. You compel me now to say that I must take action in the matter, which I have tried to put off and avoid, but which I am afraid that your own action will compel me to do. I have the kindest feelings towards you personally and officially, but unless I have a statement of your financial affairs with the Imperial Council, as required in my former letters, prior to December 31st, *I shall be compelled to suspend you from your duties as Imperial Recorder, and to inform the Temples accordingly.* I hope, therefore, that you will cease this opposition to my authority, settle up the affairs of your office, and let us start the year 1893 with a better understanding of our relative positions in the Imperial Council and our duties to the Order. With best wishes for the holiday season, and regretting that anything should interrupt the intimate relations which previously existed between us, I am sincerely yours,

W. B. MELISH,
Imperial Potentate.

The Imperial Recorder accepted the situation, and within ten days paid over the amount in four payments a few days apart. On January 11th the Imperial Recorder writes:

"You ask me to do things and then change your manner of doing business. I am doing my duty and I do not propose to have you jump on me every few days. If you think you can suspend me from office, *try it.* We will see who has done their business correctly at the next Imperial Council meeting. So far as the funds of the Imperial Council are concerned I would just as soon send an *advance* amount to our Imperial Treasurer."

This was delightfully cool, as well as generous, on the part of the Illustrious Noble, as on the date of his letter he had \$3,547.00 of Imperial Council funds in his hands, only \$897.00 of which he remitted at the time.

On January 13, 1893, the December receipts, amounting to \$897.00 were paid, and it looked as if we would have no more trouble in that direction. The January receipts, amounting to \$4,324.00, were paid with reasonable promptness, over one half the amount during the latter part of January and the balance early in February. After the suspension of the Imperial Recorder on February 7th, he paid over \$2,186.00 within a few days, issued 1,296 diplomas in ten days, and settled up the affairs of his office with a promptness highly gratifying, which, had it characterized his previous official acts, might have avoided any controversy.

There are other matters pertaining to the financial accounts of the Imperial

Recorder that invite close scrutiny. That officer has presented bills for postage as follows:

July 7, 1892.....	\$10 00
" 15, "	6 00
" 20, "	10 00
August 3, 1892.....	4 00
" 10, "	4 00
September 15, 1892.....	6 00
" " "	30 00
October 5, 1892.....	10 00
" 17, "	10 00
" 25, "	30 00
" 27, "	10 00
November 18, 1892.....	20 00
" 29, "	10 00
December 12, "	20 00
" 20, "	25 00
January 4, 1893.....	10 00
" 18, "	30 00
" 30, "	10 00
February 4, "	10 00
Total,	\$265 00

This total purports to be the expense for stamps for a period of seven months only. There are also bills for expressage in addition to the above. Believing that there must be errors in the postage account, I have declined to approve a voucher for the payment of the bill presented for the last two months (amounting to \$117.15) until the matter can be looked into by the Imperial Council. This Imperial Council issues 500 copies of its annual proceedings, the postage on them being \$25.00, provided all are mailed. The Constitutions and Laws that are mailed do not exceed 500, at a cost of \$10.00. The diplomas are generally sent out by express to the Recorders of Temples. Quite a number of circulars, annual calls, etc., are issued, and there is doubtless a large correspondence. I recommend that the Imperial Recorder be directed to furnish the Committee on Finance and Accounts with a statement more in detail than those presented.

The proceedings of the Imperial Council for 1892 show that during that year Imperial Recorder Luce presented bills for postage and expressage amounting to \$646.14. In comparison with other bodies our expenses in this direction are entirely out of proportion. We have but sixty-four subordinate bodies and less than three hundred persons on our mailing list, including Representatives, Potentates and Recorders. In 1892 the Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Illinois, a body with sixty-one subordinates, expended \$226.71 for postage, expressage and stationery. The Grand Commandery of Ohio, with

fifty-one commanderies, spent \$167.83. The Northern Supreme Council of the A. A. Rite, with seventy-four Lodges of Perfection, paid postage and expressage bills of \$188.07 for twelve months. The Grand Lodge of Ohio, with five hundred and one subordinate lodges and 37,000 members, spent in 1892 for postage, expressage and telegrams the sum of \$444.21. The bills of this Imperial Council for 1891 and 1892 were \$663.00 and \$646.14 respectively.

On November 22, 1892, I requested the Imperial Recorder to prepare a blank for a return of the annual election of officers and representatives, asking that they be sent in duplicate to each Potentate with instructions to send one copy to the Imperial Recorder and the other to me as Imperial Potentate immediately after the annual election of officers in December.

This the Imperial Recorder did not do, but, on the contrary, sent out a single blank for return to him, and without instructions for prompt returns. To avoid any controversy I wrote each Potentate on December 31st, and obtained the information direct.

As no report was made of the annual elections of 1891 until some three months after they occurred, and then in an inaccurate manner, I wrote the Imperial Recorder on January 19, 1893, asking him how soon he would be able to send out to the various Temples a list of the Potentates and Recorders for 1893. Noble Luce replied:

"Will issue printed list of Potentates and Recorders as soon as I receive the reports."

Knowing that this meant weeks of delay, and having the list of newly-elected officers in my records, I wrote the Imperial Recorder as follows:

"Have you any objection to my printing your name in connection with a list of the Potentates and Recorders of the Temples which I can have made from my record here, and issued within a week? It is, of course, essential that I should have the knowledge of who the new officers are, and rather than await the uncertainty of filing annual reports I have obtained the information. If you do not object, I will add your name at the close of the document, and send you a sufficient number to issue them to the various Temples, that they may have the correct address to make the usual interchange of printed notices."

Imagine my surprise at receiving the following curt reply (January 25th):

"I have serious objections to your printing the list of Potentates and Recorders of Temples for the year 1893. I think this is a work which properly belongs to my office. Several of the Temples that have not yet rendered me their Annual Reports or remitted me their dues have furnished me with the names of their Potentate and Recorder, and I have a list in the hands of the printer at the present time, and will have it issued to all Potentates, Recorders and Representatives in a few days."

As my only desire was to expedite matters in the interest of the Order, and while it was of no consequence to me who issued the list, provided it was done at once, I wrote Noble Luce (January 26th):

"My intention was, and is, to have the list issued through your office, over your name and with no intent to interfere with your duties, but simply to aid you. With this idea in view the list is printed and ready for distribution. If, however, you decline to distribute these and propose waiting until you can have the list printed in Chicago, say so. In this case, however, inasmuch as it is already in the hands of the printers, will you please send me A PROOF of it by return mail, and oblige."

The Imperial Recorder responded (January 27th):

"The proof of the list of Potentates and Recorders has been received by me, corrected and gone back to the printer before I received your communication. They will be ready for distribution to-morrow noon, at which time I will be glad to send you a few."

My object in asking for a proof was to verify Noble Luce's record from mine, as I had every reason to believe that he was not in possession of the correct list of newly elected officers.

On January 30th I received a copy of the list of names as issued by the Imperial Recorder, and found that it contained twenty-eight errors. In several Temples no mention was made of the officers elected in the December previous, but the old officers were named. Noble Ed. C. Harding, Recorder of Syrian Temple, received a copy of the same list from the Imperial Recorder, addressed to him as Recorder. Presuming that each Recorder and Potentate had received similar lists, and having, as stated, a newly revised and printed list ready, I distributed it through my office, adding a small slip of explanation, reading as follows:

"The list of Temples and officers issued under date of January 23d, by the Imperial Recorder, contains many errors. The list herewith is sent to Potentates, Recorders and Representatives for their guidance in addressing Temples, officers, etc. Yours in the faith,

WM. B. MELISH,
Imperial Potentate."

On receipt of this list and memorandum, the Imperial Recorder wrote me, under date of February 3d, characterizing my action as "a contemptible, mean trick," and saying, "I did not issue a printed list except the ones I sent to you and your Recorder Harding." He claimed to be in receipt of "further returns." He then adds: "I shall issue a circular to all the Potentates, Recorders and Representatives, *warning them not to use your list*, and that the one I issue under date of February 4th is absolutely correct." I received this on February 4th. Fearing the effect upon the Order of the hasty action and probable intemperate language of Noble Luce, if he issued the circular

as threatened, I telegraphed to him at 9:30 A. M., on February 4th, to his office as follows:

CINCINNATI, OHIO, February 4, 1893.

"FRANK M. LUCE, *Imperial Recorder, Chicago, Ill.*:"

"You are hereby forbidden to issue any printed list of Temples or officers, or any circular in your capacity as Imperial Recorder, without submitting the same to me before circulating it, that the same may have my official inspection and approval.

W. B. MELISH,

Imperial Potentate."

I also telegraphed Noble Luce at his office of car accountant of the Chicago & Northwestern R. R., sending the two dispatches at the same hour.

These dispatches reached the Imperial Recorder in time to stop the issuing of the offensive circular which caused his suspension.

In issuing the list of names and the circular dated February 4th the Imperial Recorder deliberately violated the orders of the Imperial Potentate.

There was but one thing to do in support of the dignity and lawful authority of the office of Imperial Potentate as well as that of the Imperial Council. Frank M. Luce was accordingly suspended from office as Imperial Recorder until this session of the Imperial Council.

Since the date of his suspension Noble Frank M. Luce has not been recognized by me as Imperial Recorder in any way. I am glad to report that after the receipt of my official edict every Temple in our jurisdiction has recognized its directions, and transacted all business with the Imperial Recorder's office with Acting Imperial Recorder W. H. Mayo. In one or two cases remittances for small amounts have been inadvertently sent to Noble Luce, all of which have been paid into the Imperial Treasurer's hands. Noble Luce has refused to obey the order of suspension and has persisted in holding the property of the Imperial Council. This has caused considerable confusion, and the necessity of printing a small lot of stationery. The lithographers who hold the stones used in printing the diplomas refused to print from them, they having received orders from Noble Luce to refuse the use of the stones to the Imperial Potentate although they had been paid for by the Imperial Council. A new set of stones were made and the diplomas made at less expense than the old ones had cost.

I much regret the necessity of the exercise of your time and patience in hearing this extended report of this case. As the pamphlet issued by Frank M. Luce, purporting to be "the correspondence which had passed between the Imperial Potentate and Imperial Recorder from date of Imperial Council meeting at Omaha, Nebraska, August 16, 1892, to April 15, 1893," was not sent to all Representatives of the Imperial Council, but was withheld in many cases, for reasons that must be obvious to all, it seemed necessary to present the matter in detail.

On March 18th Noble Luce published a circular letter addressed "To all Representatives, Potentates and Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of the A. A.

Order to whom these presents shall come," which has had wide circulation. If it be his defense for his unlawful and insubordinate acts as Imperial Recorder, he will doubtless submit it to the Imperial Council, and I need make no comment upon it at this time. Frank M. Luce *denies* having issued a list of Temples and officers on February 23d. I submit two copies of it to the Imperial Council issued over his name and official title.

Regarding the pamphlet issued by Noble Luce, I have but few words to offer. The Imperial Council should decide whether any one of its officers has the right to issue circulars, pamphlets or any other publication in reference to matters which are to come before the Council for adjudication. I regret that I am compelled to say that the pamphlet itself presents a garbled account of the correspondence between the Imperial Potentate and the Imperial Recorder. Many letters are omitted, while others are changed in language and in dates. Some letters published were personal and confidential, having nothing to do with the official business of the parties in controversy. The question as to the authority of the Imperial Potentate to suspend an officer for cause is now before the Imperial Council. The important question to be settled is, "Has the Imperial Potentate the powers and prerogatives of the Imperial Council, within the scope of the Constitution of the Order, when that body is not in session." If he has no power to correct abuses in the Order, or to protect it from unlawful acts on the part of officers or Temples, then lawlessness and anarchy will run rife. I am quite satisfied that the law and precedents in our own Order not only justify but demand all that it has been my unpleasant duty to do in the suspension of the Imperial Recorder.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

There has been such complete harmony among the Temples of our jurisdiction that no controversies of any kind have arisen. The only case of grievance filed with me for presentation to the Imperial Council is that of Eugene Ingold, Esq., a former Noble of our Order, who was a member of Kismet Temple, of Brooklyn, N. Y. He appeals from the action of Kismet Temple in expelling him from the Order. Mr. Ingold's papers show that he was initiated in Kismet Temple on April 27th, 1888, and that on July 13th, 1888, he was expelled. He claims that this expulsion was made without giving him any notice or any opportunity to be heard. It appears that no trial was had. Kismet Temple notified Mr. Ingold of his expulsion by the following letter, dated July 13th, 1888:

"I am directed to inform you that at a regular meeting of Kismet Temple, A. A. O. N. M. Shrine, held this (Friday) evening, you were expelled by order of Illustrious Sam. Briggs, Imperial Potentate, for the following reason: That you have thrice been rejected in Syria Temple, A.

A. O. N. M. S., of Pittsburgh, Penn., within the past two years, and failed to make the fact known when applying to Kismet Temple for initiation.

I am, etc.,

S. F. WALKER, *Recorder,*
By order of the Temple."

Since 1888 Mr. Ingold claims that he has tried several times to have the papers reviewed and the case reopened. The papers were placed in my hands on March 22d, 1893, by Illustrious Noble Thos. J. Hudson, Potentate of Syria Temple, of Pittsburgh. As the decision made, and order issued, is claimed to be the act of Illustrious Noble Sam. Briggs, during his term as Imperial Potentate, I declined to review the case, believing that the appeal should be made to the Imperial Council. Mr. Ingold has now appealed the case to this tribunal, and all the papers are in my hands ready for the consideration of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS.

At the last session of the Imperial Council the Committee on Finance and Accounts recommended that "the sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated to the Imperial Potentate, to cover expenses in the discharge of his official duties."

It was my understanding that the Imperial Council desired by this act to place a generous sum at the disposal of the Imperial Potentate for use in furthering the interests of the Order, maintaining the dignity of the Imperial Council and in paying all expenses of the Imperial office. During the year I have drawn the full amount of the appropriation and have expended the following amounts:

To traveling expenses, inspecting Temples.....	\$303 44
Postage and expressage.....	54 85
Telegrams.....	33 76
Charity.....	90 00
Traveling expenses of Acting Imperial Recorder.....	27 25
Stationery, printing, stenographer, type-writing, etc.....	167 25
Sundries.....	32 00
Total.....	\$708 55

Of this amount, \$137.50 represents the extra expenses growing out of the suspension of the Imperial Recorder, in the way of printing, telegrams, postage, etc., and the necessity of sending out telegrams, circulars, letters, etc., through the office of the Imperial Potentate. I will return to the treasury the unexpended balance of \$291.45 of the contingent fund.

In the transaction of the business of my office I have written a little over a thousand letters, sent several thousand circulars, and have several times addressed each Potentate in our jurisdiction on subjects tending to an

increase of interest and a broader application of our principles of generous charity and the promotion of a spirit of true brotherhood. I am gratified to report that many Temples have devoted largely of their means to the alleviation of the poverty and distress of the worthy poor in their various cases, and that the "Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine" was the leader in this commendable work at Christmas and New Year's Day in various localities. In this connection I hope that a system of annual reports of Temples will be inaugurated in the near future, that each Temple may have an opportunity of giving its annual statistics and presenting to the Imperial Council, and through it to the Order at large, an account of all good works for the glory and growth of the Shrine in which they have been engaged.

Soon after the close of the Imperial Council last year the Imperial Recorder drew a voucher on the Treasury in the sum of \$213.10 in favor of the Oriental Publishing Company, for advertising in a paper called the "Kawkab America."

No contract for advertising accompanied the bill, and finding that the contract was claimed to have been made prior to our last session and was to run a year, I declined to approve the payment of the bill until the matter could be investigated. No mention is made in our proceedings of 1892 of this bill, and, consequently, it did not have the approval of the Imperial Council. Since rejecting the bill I wrote the Oriental Publishing Company, asking for their authority to advertise a list of the officers of the Imperial Council, and ordering a discontinuation of the advertisement if no contract was in force. Since writing the Company I have heard nothing from them, and have neither seen nor heard of their publication.

At our last session the Imperial Council ordered "that an appropriation of five hundred dollars be made for the purpose of entertaining visiting Nobles on their way to Jerusalem and other places of equal interest," who might visit the Island of Malta, the home of Noble John Worthington, U. S. Consul at that point. The committee recommended "that this appropriation be placed at the disposal of the Imperial Potentate."

The responsibility of the disposition of this appropriation being placed upon me, I have endeavored to find out the necessities of the situation, and the frequency or probability of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine needing either entertainment or assistance during a temporary sojourn at the Island of Malta. The case referred to in the report of the committee last year, where they say "a Noble had to rest by the wayside by reason of illness. He found a hospitable welcome within the sheltering dome of our representative, and was soon enabled to continue his journey," proven to be that of a distinguished American Noble, a gentleman of wealth and refinement, who visited the Island of Malta in the interests of his researches in Templar history. He stopped at the best hotel, and being taken ill had the kind attention of Illustrious Noble Worthington and other Masons. The gentleman referred to did not accept entertainment, did not need assistance of any kind, and needed no "sheltering dome" to enable him to continue on

his journey. As a matter of fact the American Shriner or Masonic traveler is a rarity in Malta, or any other part of the Mediterranean, or in the Orient. The committee were doubtless mistaken in thinking that "Sons of the Desert are overcome with sickness, and have to rest awhile in the tent of our illustrious associate," and that "he is also called upon to provide entertainment in the name of this Council."

However, to make assurance doubly sure, I addressed a communication to Illustrious Noble Worthington, assuring him of the desire of the Imperial Council to relieve him of any expense that he might incur in the direction referred to above. To this communication I have no reply. I have had no occasion, therefore, to draw upon the Imperial Council funds "for the purpose of entertaining Nobles on their way to Jerusalem."

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

The Imperial Potentate was ordered, by the Imperial Council, to invest two-thirds of the balance of the funds remaining in the treasury, after paying the amounts voted at the last session. This amount was not ascertained until December, and proved to be a little over \$2,000. That amount was accordingly drawn from the treasury and invested, as soon as possible, in a five months' loan, bearing 5 per cent. interest, secured by ample collateral. It was deposited in a safety vault and was payable to W. B. Melish, Imperial Potentate, Jos. S. Wright, Imperial Treasurer, and Frank M. Luce, Imperial Recorder, or either of them, as Trustees of the Imperial Council. The loan fell due on June 10th and the fund is now in the shape of a certificate of deposit of the Merchants' National Bank of Cincinnati, in the sum of \$2,041.65, payable to the order of the Imperial Council, being the principal and interest for five months.

I would recommend the continued investment of this and other surplus funds, and that the care of the invested funds be placed in the hands of a permanent Board of Trustees, to be elected by the Imperial Council. To this end, it might be well to incorporate the Imperial Council, so as to make its legal status secure. If this is to be done, the Imperial Council should appoint the necessary number of members to make the incorporation and name the State in which it shall be done.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, Illustrious Nobles, I desire to thank you from a full heart for the many favors, official and personal, with which you have honored me. I have tried to be worthy of the respect and confidence of each of you. The office of Imperial Potentate, with its sway over thirty thousand gentlemen of high standing in our large jurisdiction, I hold to be an honorable and very responsible trust, equal to that of the presiding officer of any secret society in the world. An Order which admits none but those found worthy of distinction in two such magnificent fraternities as those of the Order of Knights Templars and the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, cannot establish

too high a standard for itself. I take a pride in the membership of the Shrine, and have a profound reverence for and confidence in the Order itself. During the past ten months I have endeavored to serve, what I have thought to be, the best interests of the Shrine. The great majority of my official duties, though arduous and involving great sacrifice of time, have been most pleasant, and I have been amply repaid in the thought that progress was being made in the social welfare of our members and in teaching an enlightened doctrine of Hospitality, Charity and Fraternity. If I have made mistakes, and no man is free from them, let them be set down to an excess of zeal in protecting the Order.

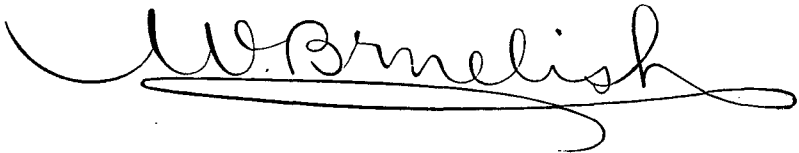
The founders of the Nobility of the Mystic Shrine in America, in a desire to perpetuate Ancient Arabic customs which would increase their social pleasures, lighted a fire before a Shrine that has now, and will have, thousands of earnest devotees in the years to come. The Shrines of supposed divinities in India, China and the far East, keep their devotees at a distance, lest familiarity should breed suspicion and contempt. It is our enlightened privilege to take to our inner hearts all followers of our creed. The fire upon our altar will not go out. The oil of true fraternity and generous hospitality will keep it alive, while the perfumed incense of charity will attest to the world the purpose of our Mystic Rites. Let us inscribe over the doors of our Temples, that all may read, this inscription:

"Pleasure without intemperance; hospitality without rudeness, and jollity without coarseness, should here prevail among all of the true faith."

"There is a limit to enjoyment, though the sources of wealth be boundless, And the choicest pleasures of life lie within the ring of moderation."

Let us now enter upon the deliberations of the Imperial Council with the Lamp of Experience to guide our steps, and with an eye single to the interests of the Order of which we are the representative guardians, unswayed by prejudice or passion.

Yours in the faith,

A large, elegant handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "W. B. Ormelish". The signature is written in a cursive style with long, sweeping horizontal strokes at the beginning and end.

Imperial Potentate.

ADDRESS REFERRED TO A COMMITTEE.

On motion, it was—

Resolved, That the address of the Imperial Potentate be referred to the Committee on Transactions of Imperial Officers for subdivision and for reference to the appropriate Committees.

Noble Briggs moved that the Annual Address of the Imperial Potentate which is printed, be now distributed to the members of this Council.

Seconded and carried.

RECESS.

On motion of Noble Sloan a recess was taken until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Illustrious Noble Frank M. Luce, Imperial Recorder, presented his annual report, with the following remarks: "In regard to the charges made against me by our Imperial Potentate, I desire to say that I will answer those charges through a committee."

REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL RECORDER.

Annual Report of the IMPERIAL RECORDER was presented as follows:

CHICAGO, June 10, 1893.

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

Your Imperial Recorder respectfully submits the following report for the year from July 13, 1892, to June 10, 1893:

IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

At the close of last Annual Session, and to the present time, there are:

No. of	Ad vitam members.....	2
"	Active members.....	141
"	Emeritus members.....	4
"	Representative of Temples in the East.....	1
"	Temples that have been Chartered to date.....	61
"	Temples under Dispensation to date.....	4

REPORTS OF TEMPLES.

To January 1st, 1893.

The reports which have been received from the various Temples are given in the table herewith.

A recapitulation of the Annual Reports from all the Temples shows the following totals:

No. of Nobles on December 31, 1891.....	21,127
“ “ Entered the Unseen Temple.....	231
“ “ Demitted.....	413
“ “ Suspended.....	220
“ “ Expelled.....	11
Decrease in members.....	875
Leaving a total of.....	20,252
No. of Nobles Created to December 31, 1892, in Temples...	6,554
“ “ Affiliated and restored to date.....	134
“ “ In Temples under dispensation, Charter members.	221
Total increase in Nobles.....	6,909
Total number of Nobles Dec. 31, 1892.....	27,161

Report of Temples, to January 1, 1893.

TEMPLES.	LOCATION.	Membership Dec. 31, 1891.	Died.	Demitted.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Created.	Affiliated. Restored.	Charter Members.	Membership Dec. 31, 1892.
1 Abdallah	Leavenworth	237	3	12	5		102	3		322
2 Acca	Richmond	148	3	10	1		42			176
3 Affii	Tacoma	142	2				18	4		162
4 Aleppo	Boston	1,673	13	27	6		454	1		2,082
5 Al Chymia	Memphis						74		18	92
6 Algeria	Helena	194		3			18	1		210
7 Alhambra	Chattanooga	94	1	2			39			130
8 Al Kader	Portland	110	4				14	1		121
9 Al Koran	Cleveland	516	7	19	8		58	1		541
10 Al Malaikah	Los Angeles	210	3	1			33	6		245
11 Almas	Washington	319			13		122	1		421
12 Ararat	Kansas City	380	3	6			183	10		573
13 Ballut Abyad	Albuquerque	48		1			13			60
14 Ben Hur	Austin	66					44	1		111
15 Boumi	Baltimore	276		4	7	1	68			328
16 Cyprus	Albany	200	2				70			268
17 Damascus	Rochester	431	2				52			481
18 El Jebel	Denver	556	2	2	15	1	134	2		672
19 El Kalah	Salt Lake City	86					27	2		115
20 El Kahir	Cedar Rapids	500	1	7	1		307			858
21 El Katif	Spokane	89	2				12	1		100
22 El Riad	Sioux Falls	193	1	2			143			333
23 El Zagal	Fargo	143	2				45			186
24 Hamasa, U. D.	Meridian						11		11	22
25 Hella	Dallas	351	2	9	2		60	1		399
26 Isis	Salina	324		7			111			428
27 Islam	San Francisco	448	2				72			519
28 Ismaila	Buffalo	380	1	3			135			511
29 Jerusalem	New Orleans	55	1	10			42			86
30 Kaaba	Davenport	340	5				229	2		566
31 Kismet	Brooklyn	385	4	5			52	1		429
32 Kora	Lewiston						68		17	85
33 Kosair	Louisville	169	2	3			10			174
34 Lu Lu	Philadelphia	1,778	19	126	2		500	1		2,132
35 Mecca	New York	1,749	30	6	89	3	424	7		2,052
36 Medinah	Chicago	1,318	13	17	22		384	12		1,662
37 Media	Watertown	142	2				94	22		256
38 Moiba	St. Joseph	114	2	8	4		38	1		139
39 Moolah	St. Louis	282	3	2		1	99	5		380
40 Morocco	Jacksonville	24	1				12			35
41 Moslem	Detroit	485	6	7			219			691
42 Mount Sinai	Montpelier	247	3	1		1	30			272
43 Murat	Indianapolis	392	9	5		1	153	1		531
44 Naja, U. D.	Deadwood						58		9	67
45 Oriental	Troy	346	1	1	1		72	2		417
46 Osiris	Wheeling	218	2				93			309
47 Osman	St. Paul	351	7	3		3	85	4		427
48 Palestine	Providence	357	4				124			477
49 Pyramid	Bridgeport	745	8	1	1		116			851
50 Rajah, U. D.	Reading						29	11	93	133
51 Rameses	Toronto	86			4		18			100
52 Sahara	Pine Bluff	57	2				54			109
53 Salaam	Olney	44	1				2			45
54 Saladin	Grand Rapids	329	4		4		179	2		502
55 Sesostris	Lincoln	173					128			301
56 Syria	Pittsburgh	705	9	67	10		129	15		763
57 Syrian	Cincinnati	566		2	7		224	2		783
58 Tangier	Omaha	302	1	3			89	1		388
59 Tripoli	Milwaukee	355	8	7			42	3		385
60 Yaarab	Atlanta	122					39	1		162
61 Zamora	Birmingham	49		2			18			65
62 Zem Zem	Erie		1				60		73	132
63 Ziyara	Utica	394	9	19	2		88			452
64 Zuhrah	Minneapolis	265	6	3	16		92	5		337
Totals		21,127	231	413	220	11	6,554	134	221	27,161

Receipts.

There have been received for Fees, Dues, etc., for the year ending June 10, 1893, from the following Temples:

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init Fees.	Duplicate Diploma Fees.	Rituals.	Dispensations.	Total.
July 18, 1892	Abdallah		\$ 16 00				
Nov. 3, 1892	"		28 00				
Jan. 9, 1893	"	\$ 40 00					
Feb. 2, 1893	"		116 00				
April 20, 1893	"			\$1 00			\$201 00
Nov. 21, 1892	Acca				\$15 00		15 00
Nov. 14, 1892	Affi		16 00	1 00			
Feb. 3, 1893	"	20 00					37 00
Oct. 12, 1892	Aleppo		256 00				
Dec. 6, 1892	"		98 00				
Jan. 23, 1893	"	210 00	84 00				
Feb. 6, 1893	"		2 00				650 00
Oct. 17, 1892	Algeria		2 00				
Dec. 21, 1892	"	30 00	18 00				50 00
Feb. 4, 1893	Alhambra	20 00	24 00				44 00
Feb. 13, 1893	Al Kader	20 00	28 00				48 00
Aug. 6, 1892	Al Koran			1 00			
Dec. 9, 1892	"		10 00				
Jan. 3, 1893	"	60 00					
Jan. 16, 1893	"		28 00				90 00
July 28, 1892	Al Malaikah		2 00				
Oct. 17, 1892	"		20 00				
Jan. 18, 1893	"	30 00	14 00				66 00
Aug. 1, 1892	Almas		28 00	4 00			
Feb. 2, 1893	"	50 00	180 00				262 00
July 28, 1892	Al Chymia	10 00	64 00				
Nov. 28, 1892	"		18 00				
Jan. 7, 1893	"		2 00				94 00
July 15, 1892	Ararat		72 00	5 00			
Sept. 2, 1892	"		34 00				
Dec. 16, 1892	"		110 00	1 00			
Dec. 28, 1892	"			7 00			
Jan. 18, 1893	"	60 00					289 00
Oct. 12, 1892	Ballut Abyad		10 00				
Jan. 18, 1893	"	10 00					20 00
Jan. 10, 1893	Ben Hur	20 00					
Feb. 3, 1893	"				5 00		
Feb. 9, 1893	"		22 00				47 00
July 14, 1892	Boumi		106 00				
Dec. 7, 1892	"		30 00				
Jan. 13, 1893	"	40 00					176 00
Feb. 16, 1893	Cyprus	30 00					30 00
Sept. 12, 1892	El Jebel		62 00				
Jan. 18, 1893	"	70 00					132 00
July 18, 1892	El Kahir		108 00				
Nov. 9, 1892	"		218 00				
Dec. 17, 1892	"		56 00				
Feb. 6, 1893	"	96 00					472 00
Oct. 24, 1892	El Riad		62 00				
May 24, 1893	"	40 00	170 00				272 00
Aug. 8, 1892	El Kalah	20 00	48 00				68 00
Feb. 11, 1893	El Zagal	20 00	28 00				48 00
Aug. 1, 1892	Hamasa	10 00	10 00				
Jan. 11, 1893	"	10 00	12 00				42 00
Sept. 2, 1892	Nella		4 00				
Oct. 8, 1892	"		2 00				
Nov. 18, 1892	"		50 00				
May 23, 1892	"	40 00					96 00
May 16, 1893	India				15 00		15 00
Carried forward.		\$950 00	\$2,268 00	\$20 00	\$35 00	.....	\$3,273 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Duplicate Diploma Fee.	Ritual.	Dispensations.	Total.
July 15, 1892	Brought forward..	\$950 00	\$2,268 00	\$20 00	\$35 00		\$3,273 00
Oct. 24, 1892	Isis		138 00	3 00			
Feb. 4, 1893	"	50 00	72 00	1 00			279 00
Jan. 4, 1893	Islam	60 00	12 00	3 00			204 00
July 15, 1892	Ismaila		70 00				
Nov. 7, 1892	"		52 00				
Jan. 18, 1893	"	60 00	56 00				238 00
July 15, 1892	Jerusalem		84 00				
Feb. 6, 1893	"	10 00					94 00
Aug. 8, 1892	Kaaba		54 00				
Oct. 20, 1892	"		20 00				
Oct. 26, 1892	"		92 00				
Dec. 7, 1892	"		68 00	1 00			
Jan. 5, 1893	"	60 00					
Jan. 10, 1893	"		38 00				333 00
Nov. 14, 1892	Kismet		80 00				
Jan. 9, 1893	"	50 00	24 00				154 00
Aug. 8, 1892	Kosair		12 00				
Jan. 4, 1893	"	20 00					50 00
Jan. 9, 1893	"		18 00				24 00
Jan. 9, 1893	Kora	10 00	14 00				
Feb. 3, 1893	Lu Lu	220 00	1,000 00				1,220 00
July 28, 1892	Mecca		132 00	2 00			
Nov. 3, 1892	"		128 00				
Nov. 9, 1892	"			2 00			
Dec. 6, 1892	"		32 00				
Jan. 7, 1893	"	210 00	62 00				568 00
Jan. 3, 1893	Medinah	170 00	768 00				938 00
Aug. 12, 1892	Media		84 00				
Oct. 13, 1892	"		2 00				
Nov. 18, 1892	"		14 00				
Jan. 7, 1893	"	30 00					
Jan. 13, 1893	"		20 00				150 00
Dec. 9, 1892	Moila		38 00				
Jan. 30, 1893	"	20 00					58 00
Oct. 17, 1892	Moolah		84 00				
Feb. 6, 1893	"	40 00					124 00
Jan. 27, 1893	Morocco	10 00	16 00				
Feb. 8, 1893	"		2 00				
Feb. 13, 1893	"		2 00				30 00
Aug. 1, 1892	Moslem		26 00	1 00			
Sept. 2, 1892	"			1 00			
Nov. 18, 1892	"		40 00				68 00
Nov. 26, 1892	Mount Sinai		24 00				
Jan. 6, 1893	"	30 00					54 00
Dec. 17, 1892	Murat		112 00				
Jan. 13, 1893	"	60 00					172 00
Dec. 7, 1892	Oriental		142 00				
Jan. 16, 1892	"	50 00	2 00				194 00
Nov. 18, 1892	Osiris		12 00				
Jan. 3, 1893	"		28 00	1 00			
Jan. 9, 1893	"	40 00					81 00
Oct. 24, 1892	Osman		30 00				
Nov. 28, 1892	"		22 00				
Jan. 19, 1893	"	50 00	22 00				124 00
Sept. 6, 1892	Naja				15 00	\$150 00	
Feb. 16, 1893	"	10 00	116 00				291 00
Jan. 18, 1893	Palestine	50 00	248 00		10 00		308 00
Jan. 5, 1893	Pyramid	90 00	36 00				126 00
Jan. 11, 1893	Rameses	10 00	36 00				46 00
Sept. 6, 1892	Rajah				15 00	150 00	
Jan. 16, 1893	"	20 00	58 00				243 00
Carried forward...		\$2,380 00	\$6,654 00	\$35 00	\$75 00	\$300 00	\$6,171 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	Dues.	Init. Fees.	Duplicate Diploma Fees.	Rituals.	Dispensations.	Total.
	Brought forward.	\$2,380 00	\$9,654 00	\$35 00			
Jan. 9, 1893	Sahara	20 00					20 00
July 15, 1892	Salaam		4 00				
Feb. 8, 1893	"	10 00					14 00
Jan. 11, 1893	Saladin		182 00				
Jan. 18, 1893	"	60 00	92 00				334 00
July 15, 1892	Sesostris		142 00				
Jan. 7, 1893	"		114 00				
Jan. 10, 1893	"	40 00		1 00			297 00
Nov. 1, 1892	Syria		80 00				
Nov. 26, 1892	"		56 00				
Jan. 10, 1893	"	80 00					
Jan. 27, 1893	"		46 00				262 00
Nov. 21, 1892	Syrian		388 00				
Jan. 16, 1892	"	80 00	60 00				
Jan. 29, 1893	"			1 00			529 00
Sept. 2, 1892	Tangier		62 00				
Jan. 7, 1893	"	40 00					102 00
Nov. 21, 1892	Tripoli		36 00				
Jan. 7, 1893	"	40 00					76 00
July 28, 1892	Yaarab		12 00				
Aug. 8, 1892	"		2 00				
Oct. 24, 1892	"		20 00				
Jan. 13, 1893	"			1 00			
Jan. 26, 1893	"	20 00					55 00
Jan. 18, 1893	Zem Zem	20 00					20 00
Sept. 2, 1892	Ziyara		12 00				
Oct. 8, 1892	"		28 00				
Dec. 1, 1892	"		96 00				
Jan. 19, 1893	"	50 00	2 00				188 00
July 18, 1892	Zuhrah		32 00	2 00			
Dec. 21, 1892	"		48 00				
Jan. 7, 1893	"	40 00					122 00
Totals		\$2,880 00	\$8,168 00	\$40 00	\$75 00	\$300 00	\$11,463 00

Recapitulation of above receipts.

Receipts for Annual Dues	\$ 2,880 00
" " Initiation Fees	8,168 00
" " Duplicate Diploma Fees	40 00
" " Rituals	75 00
" " Dispensation Fees	300 00
Total paid Imperial Treasurer	\$11,463 00

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK M. LUCE,
Imperial Recorder.

REFERENCE OF IMPERIAL RECORDER'S REPORT.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the Annual Report of the Imperial Recorder be received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

REPORT OF ACTING IMPERIAL RECORDER.

Acting Imperial Recorder, Noble William H. Mayo, presented the following report:

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLES:—The position I now occupy, and have sustained since February 10th, is a very different one to any held heretofore, notwithstanding my seventeen 'years' experience as Grand Secretary of Masonic Grand Bodies.

The position was tendered me unexpected and unsolicited. After due deliberation, consultation and careful investigation into the causes which led up to the action of the Imperial Potentate in deposing Noble Frank M. Luce from office, I accepted, believing it to be my duty, and entered upon the discharge of my duties, knowing that hindrances and difficulties would be thrown in my way.

The first thing I did after my appointment was to execute the bond required by the laws of this Imperial Body, and then wrote the following courteous letter:

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 15, 1893.

Frank M. Luce, Esq., Chicago, Ill.

DEAR SIR AND ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE:—You are doubtless aware of my appointment as Imperial Recorder to serve until the next session of the Imperial Council. The appointment of myself was unexpected and unsolicited. I regret the situation exceedingly and assumed the duties of office reluctantly. I trust there will be no personal feelings of animosity or ill-will between us, however. On yesterday I made application for a bond of \$2,000 with one of the strongest financial institutions of this city. The bond has been accepted in favor of William B. Melish, and will be forwarded to him at once. I will be obliged to you if you will send to me by express at once, and at my expense, the necessary books and papers to conduct the business of the Imperial Council. I will send out the unissued diplomas if you will send me the list and the blank diplomas. I should have at once the ledger, returns from all subordinate Temples and the seal of the Imperial Council, and whatever stationery and blanks you have on hand. After receiving these and getting the business of the Imperial Council in hand I can run over to Chicago and spend a day with you in assorting, packing up and looking over whatever property, books and furniture you have in your office belonging to the Imperial Council, and with the advice and consent of the Imperial Potentate seeing what disposition shall be made of it until the session of the Imperial Council in June next.

Hoping to hear from you by return mail,

I am yours in the Faith,

WM. H. MAYO,

Imperial Recorder, pro tem.

To this I never received a reply. After waiting a week or more, and after corresponding with the Imperial Potentate, I proceeded to get up and have printed the necessary stationery, books, etc., for conducting the affairs of the Imperial Council in a proper manner.

Finding that I could not even hear from, much less receive any of the property of the Imperial Council from Noble Luce, I wrote the lithographing firm in Chicago who had printed the diplomas for the Imperial Council for a bid for printing of 5,000 diplomas, and received the following reply:

SHOBER & CARQUEVILLE LITHOGRAPHING COMPANY,
CANAL AND JACKSON STS.,

CHICAGO, March 6, 1893.

Mr. William H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo.

DEAR SIR:—We have your favor of recent date regarding diplomas for the Mystic Shrine. The stones now in our possession Mr. Luce claims are his property, and we having made the stones for him cannot lithograph from these plates without his permission, nor can we duplicate the same stones on new work.

Should you desire to get out a diploma of a different style from the one you are now using, we should be most happy to furnish prices and full particulars.

Trusting we may hear from you regarding this matter, we remain

Yours very truly,

SHOBER & CARQUEVILLE LITH. CO.,

By CARQUEVILLE.

ST. LOUIS, March 13, 1893.

Shober & Carqueville, Chicago, Ill.

DEAR SIR:—Your favor of 6th inst. came duly to hand. I have been absent several days from the city on important business, hence have not answered until now. I was very much surprised indeed to learn that Mr. Luce claims the stones upon which the Shrine diplomas are printed to be his personal property. Will you kindly inform me whether you have this from him in writing or not, and also whether you have from him in writing forbidding you to use the stones or even to make duplicates of the same stones on new work. If you have not I would recommend that you get the same, as there may be trouble grow out of it both for him and you. Please advise me on this matter. I can get up a new design that will contain very nearly the same printed matter, but which will be entirely different in the background, and not quite as much work as there is on the one that you have, and will not be quite as large as the one you have been printing.

What would be your figures for 5,000 copies? I have your telegram say-

ing that "engraving and printing 5,000 diplomas \$255." I do not exactly understand this in connection with your letter.

Trusting to hear from you by return mail, I am

Yours very truly,

WM. H. MAYO,

Imperial Recorder.

CHICAGO, March 16, 1893.

Mr. William H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo.

DEAR SIR:—Your favor of the 13th inst. came duly to hand. It was not our intention to give you the impression that Mr. Luce had made claim to the stones as being his individual property. Our Mr. Carqueville is a member of Medinah Temple, and is therefore somewhat posted in regard to the Imperial Council and the duties of its constitutionally elected officers. Noble Luce was elected at Omaha as Imperial Recorder, and was duly installed as such, and is under bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties, and to protect, to the best of his ability, the possessions of the Imperial Body. The stones have therefore passed into his possession, and we would most respectfully request you to communicate with him direct.

Yours respectfully,

SHOBER & CARQUEVILLE LITH. CO.

At the same time I asked one of the leading printing and lithographing houses in St. Louis to figure on the same job, engraving and all to be new work. The following was their reply:

WOODWARD & TIERNAN PRINTING COMPANY,
LITHOGRAPHERS, STATIONERS, BINDERS AND ENGRAVERS,
309 TO 319 NORTH THIRD STREET,

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 27, 1893.

Wm. H. Mayo, Esq., City.

DEAR SIR:—We quote price of \$160.00 for 5,000 certificates, lithographed in three colors, for the Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine.

Hoping you will favor us with your order, we remain

Yours truly,

WOODWARD & TIERNAN PRINTING CO.,

We herewith return sample.

J. N. HULL.

I gave the contract to the St. Louis house after making several important corrections in the old diploma to make it conform to the Constitutional requirements.

During the latter part of February and the first few days of March, I sent out by mail and express 1,554 diplomas, the work of last year that had not been completed and sent out by my predecessor. And many complaints have been received concerning the manner and style of penmanship used instead of being properly engrossed. Since March I have issued 1,875 of

the bright new diplomas, properly engrossed and sent out to the various Temples, and have not had a single one sent back for correction, but have received many favorable comments concerning the engrossing and the general appearance of the new diplomas.

The engrossing of those emanating from my office cost 4 cents each, and the expense of postage, expressage and telegrams to conduct the affairs of my office from February 10th to June 10th, a period of four months, has been \$26.85.

My financial statement, books and vouchers are herewith presented, which show receipts and disbursements in detail.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM H. MAYO,
Acting Imperial Recorder.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Warrants have been drawn and approved by the Imperial Potentate to pay the following amounts:

Samuel McDowall, of Salt Lake City, Utah, to correct mileage and per diem to Omaha.....	\$ 78 80
Woodward & Tiernan, lithographing, printing and stationery....	201 35
Knight, Leonard & Co., of Chicago, printing for Noble Luce....	74 00
Wm. B. Melish, balance of appropriation for expenses.....	600 00
Salary of Wm. H. Mayo, Imperial Recorder, for balance of term.	350 00
George H. Walker, Special Deputy, visiting Acca Temple.....	9 20
Engrossing Clerk, 1875 diplomas, at 4 cents.....	75 00
Postage, expressage, telegrams and sundries for Imperial Recorder's office for four months.....	32 60
Total.....	\$1,420 95

FINANCIAL REPORT OF WILLIAM H. MAYO, ACTING IMPERIAL RECORDER,
FROM FEBRUARY, 1893, TO JUNE 10, 1893.

RECEIPTS.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	P. O. ADDRESS.		DUES.	FEES.	TOTAL.
1893.						
Feb. 25	El Jebel	Denver			\$ 44 00	\$ 44 00
" 27	Acca	Richmond		\$ 20 00	84 00	104 00
" 27	El Katif	Spokane		10 00	24 00	34 00
March 2	Oriental	Troy			54 00	54 00
" 3	Osman	St. Paul			46 00	46 00
" 3	Jerusalem	New Orleans			24 00	24 00
" 3	Hella	Dallas			34 00	34 00
" 6	Algeria	Helena			16 00	16 00
" 6	Ziyara	Utica			90 00	90 00
" 7	Moslem	Detroit		70 00		70 00
" 10	Rajah	Reading			44 00	44 00
" 10	Hamasa	Meridian			18 00	18 00
" 10	Zuhrah	Minneapolis			30 00	30 00
" 10	Osman	St. Paul			1 00	1 00
" 15	Zamora	Birmingham		10 00	36 15	46 15
" 15	Tangier	Omaha			136 00	136 00
" 16	Media	Watertown			8 00	8 00
" 16	Boumi	Baltimore			20 00	20 00
" 30	Mount Sinai	Montpelier			14 00	14 00
" 30	Saladin	Grand Rapids			58 00	58 00
" 30	Abdallah	Leavenworth			44 00	44 00
" 30	Kora	Lewiston			60 00	60 00
April 7	Syrian	Cincinnati			224 00	224 00
" 7	El Kahir	Cedar Rapids			62 00	62 00
" 7	Tripoli	Milwaukee			118 00	118 00
" 7	Kaaba	Davenport			101 00	101 00
" 7	Morocco	Jacksonville			2 00	2 00
" 7	Media	Watertown			4 00	4 00
" 7	Abdallah	Leavenworth			1 00	1 00
" 11	Hamasa	Meridian			6 00	6 00
" 12	India	Oklahoma	150 00			150 00
" 20	Moolah	St. Louis			56 00	56 00
May 5	El Kalah	Salt Lake City			28 00	28 00
" 5	Aleppo	Boston			90 00	90 00
" 5	Ismailia	Buffalo			82 00	82 00
" 5	Media	Watertown			56 00	56 00
" 5	Oriental	Troy			48 00	48 00
" 5	Syrian	Cincinnati			82 00	82 00
" 5	Morocco	Jacksonville			2 00	2 00
" 5	Al Malaikah	Los Angeles			38 00	38 00
" 5	Hella	Dallas			116 00	116 00
" 5	Osman	St. Paul			58 00	58 00
" 5	Naja	Deadwood			24 00	24 00
" 20	Ben Hur	Austin			18 00	18 00
" 20	Osiris	Wheeling			44 00	44 00

Receipts—Continued.

DATE.	TEMPLE.	P. O. ADDRESS.		DUES.	FEES.	TOTAL.
"	20	Isis.....	Salina.....	.....	78 00	78 00
"	20	Yaarab.....	Atlanta.....	.....	44 00	44 00
"	20	Al Chymia.....	Memphis.....	10 00	.....	10 00
"	20	Sesostris.....	Lincoln.....	.....	130 00	130 00
"	30	Ilamas.....	Meridian.....	.....	6 00	6 00
"	30	Saladin.....	Grand Rapids.....	.....	144 00	144 00
"	30	Salaam.....	Olney.....	.....	10 00	10 00
"	30	Almas.....	Washington.....	.....	188 00	188 00
"	30	Tangier.....	Omaha.....	.....	70 00	70 00
June	3	Rameses.....	Toronto.....	.....	14 00	14 00
"	3	Rajah.....	Reading.....	.....	28 00	28 00
"	3	Oriental.....	Troy.....	.....	62 00	62 00
"	3	Boumi.....	Baltimore.....	.....	24 00	24 00
"	3	Aleppo.....	Boston.....	.....	400 00	400 00
"	3	Kora.....	Lewiston.....	.....	44 00	44 00
"	3	Damascus.....	Rochester.....	50 00	54 00	104 00
"	3	Moolah.....	St. Louis.....	.....	69 00	69 00
"	8	Zubrah.....	Minneapolis.....	.....	96 00	96 00
"	8	El Zagal.....	Fargo.....	.....	35 00	35 00
"	8	Cyprus.....	Albany.....	.....	120 00	120 00
"	10	Kaaba.....	Davenport.....	.....	26 00	26 00
Totals.....			\$150 00	\$170 00	\$3,837 15	\$4,157 15

RECAPITULATION OF ABOVE RECEIPTS.

Receipts for dispensation.....	\$ 150.00
" " annual dues.....	170.00
" " fees for diplomas.....	3,837.15

Total paid Imperial Treasurer..... \$4,157.15

Fraternally submitted.

WM. H. MAYO,
Acting Imperial Recorder.

On motion, the report was referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

REPORT OF THE IMPERIAL TREASURER.

By the IMPERIAL TREASURER the following annual report was submitted:
To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council,
A. A. O. N. M. S.:

Your Imperial Treasurer herewith submits his statement of the moneys received and disbursed by him from August 15, 1892, to June 11, 1893:

1892.							\$16,371 42
Aug. 15.	To balance.....						
Oct. 19.	Cash from Imp. Rec'r. F. M. Luce, Receipt No. 104....					\$ 100 00	
" 28.	" " " " " "					105.....	100 00
Nov. 4.	" " " " " "					106.....	100 00
Nov. 7.	" " " " " "					107.....	100 00
Nov. 12.	" " " " " "					108.....	200 00
Nov. 24.	" " " " " "					109.....	400 00
Dec. 29.	" " " " " "					110.....	
	Check.....					1,010	
	Warrant No. 308.....					500	1,510 00
Dec. 29.	" " " Imp. Rec'r. F. M. Luce, Receipt No. 111					380 00	
1893.							
Jan. 2.	" " " " " "					112.....	900 00
Jan. 18.	" " " " " "					113.....	897 00
Jan. 23.	" " " " " "					114.....	500 00
Jan. 30.	" " " " " "					115.....	1,000 00
Jan. 30.	" " " " " "					116.....	900 00
Feb. 2.	" " " " " "					117.....	500 00
Feb. 3.	" " " " " "					118.....	1,424 00
Feb. 13.	" " " " " "					119.....	500 00
Feb. 16.	" " " " " "					120.....	720 00
Feb. 25.	" " " " " "					121.....	966 00
May 20.	" " " " " "					122.....	1 00
May 25.	" " " " " "					123.....	15 00
May 25.	" " " " " "					124.....	250 00
Mch. 9.	To cash from appointed Recorder by Imperial Potentate, W. B. Melish, Noble W. H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo., without receipt.....					516 00	
April 1.	To cash from appointed Recorder (by Imperial Potentate, W. B. Melish), Noble W. H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo., without receipt.....					479 15	
April 28.	To cash from appointed Recorder (by Imperial Potentate, W. B. Melish), Noble W. H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo., without receipt.....					724 00	
May 25.	To cash from appointed Recorder (by Imperial Potentate, W. B. Melish), Noble W. H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo., without receipt.....					948 00	
June 5.	To cash from appointed Recorder (by Imperial Potentate, W. B. Melish), Noble W. H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo., without receipt.....					1,213 00	
June 9.	Interest on deposit in Third National Bank of Philadel- phia						3,880 15
Total receipts.....							\$31,947 71
							33 14

Disbursements.

1892.		
Aug. 15.	By Sam Briggs' expenses as Imperial Potentate for June and July, 1892. Warrant 285.....	\$ 156 90
Aug. 23.	By W. B. Melish, testimonial to Sam. Briggs. Warrant 286.....	2,500 00
Aug. 23.	By Frank M. Luce, extra compensation for year ending June 9, 1892. Warrant 287.....	1,000 00
Sept. 15.	By John C. Yorston & Co., for steel portrait of Imperial Potentate, W. B. Melish. Warrant 289.	100 00
Sept. 15.	By W. B. Melish, account contingent fund allowed the Imperial Potentate. Warrant 290.....	200 00
Aug. 15.	By Joseph S. Wright, Imperial Treasurer, services of Frank T. Haggerty and for mileage allowed him. Warrant 291.....	179 30
Aug. 15.	By Joseph S. Wright, Imperial Treasurer, mileage and per diem paid to representatives Aug. 16, 1892. Warrant 292.....	8,230 90
Oct. 7.	By Frank M. Luce, balance of salary to Sept. 10, 1892. Warrant 293.....	333 34
Oct. 7.	By Frank M. Luce, a contingent fund for J. K. Ashby. Warrant 294.....	100 00
Oct. 7.	By Al Chymia Temple, Memphis, Tenn. Guarantee fee returned. Warrant 295.....	100 00
Oct. 7.	By Ben Hur Temple, Austin, Texas. Guarantee fee returned. Warrant 296.....	100 00
Oct. 7.	By Kora Temple, Lewiston, Me. Guarantee fee returned. Warrant 297.....	100 00
Oct. 7.	By El Kalah Temple, of Salt Lake City, Utah. Guarantee fee returned. Warrant 298.....	100 00
Oct. 7.	By Zem Zem Temple, of Erie, Pa. Guarantee fee returned. Warrant 299.....	100 00
Oct. 19.	By Frank M. Luce, postage and expressage to Oct. 15, 1892. Warrant 300.....	110 60
Oct. 28.	By the Groneweg Printing Co., printing 1,000 copies constitution. Warrant 301.....	32 00
Nov. 24.	By Shober & Carqueville Lith. Co., 5,092 diploma certificates. Warrant 302.....	168 00
Nov. 24.	By Knight, Leonard & Co., printing. Warrant 304.....	282 00
Nov. 24.	By Knight, Leonard & Co., printing. Warrant 305.....	82 30
Nov. 24.	By The Henry O. Shepard Co., printing to date. Warrant 306.....	9 50

Disbursements—Continued.

1892.			
Nov. 30.	By	Cameron, Amberg & Co., stationery. Months Aug., Sept., Oct. 7, 1892. Warrant 307.....	\$ 10 77
Dec. 16.	By	Frank M. Luce, expressage and postage to Dec. 7, 1892. Warrant 309.....	93 30
Dec. 17.	By	Wm. B. Melish, account contingent fund allowed the Imperial Potentate. Warrant 310..	200 00
Dec. 17.	By	Thomas J. Hudson, expenses inspecting Osiris Temple, Dec. 9, 1892. Warrant 311.....	24 50
Dec. 29.	By	Frank M. Luce, salary for quarter ending Dec. 10, 1892. Warrant 308.....	500 00
1893.			
Jan. 11.	By	Imperial Potentate, a fund to be invested by him as ordered by the Imperial Council. Warrant 312.....	2,000 00
Feb. 25.	By	Pettibone, Wells & Co., stationery from July 15, 1892, to Feb. 1, 1893. Warrant 313.....	23 46
Mch. 20.	By	S. McDowall, Salt Lake City, mileage to correct error at Omaha, Aug., 1892. Warrant drawn by W. H. Mayo, Imperial Recorder appointed by Imperial Potentate. Warrant 1... Check drawn to the order of and mailed to Wm. B. Melish by his order.	78 80
April 3.	By	Woodward Tiernan Printing Co. Stationery, printing 5,000 diplomas. Warrant drawn by W. H. Mayo, Imperial Recorder appointed by Imperial Potentate. Warrant 2..... Duplicate as draft by said party.	201 35
April 24.	By	W. H. Mayo, Imperial Recorder, salary as Imperial Recorder from Feb. 7th to April 7th, 1893. Warrant 3.....	166 66
May 11.	By	Wm. B. Melish, balance of appropriation to Imperial Potentate. Warrant 4.....	600 00
May 29.	By	Knight, Leonard & Co., printing ordered by Luce prior to Feb., 1893. Warrant 5.....	74 00
June 8.	By	George H. Walker expenses inspecting Acca Temple. Warrant 6.....	9 20
			\$17,966 88

*The Imperial Council.**Recapitulation.*

Balance at last session.....	\$16,571 42
Receipts from Recorder from Aug. 15th, 1892, to June 9, 1893	15,343 15
Interest on deposit	33 14
Total.....	\$31,947 71
Total expenditures.....	17,966 88
Balance.....	\$13,980 83
All of which is respectfully submitted.	
JOSEPH S. WRIGHT,	
<i>Imperial Treasurer.</i>	
June 10, 1893.	

REFERENCE TO IMPERIAL TREASURER'S REPORT.

On motion it was—

Resolved, That the report of the Imperial Treasurer be received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSACTIONS OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

Your Committee on Transactions of Imperial Officers submit the following report :

1. Coming together once more in annual session, we congratulate our beloved Order on its continual large increase in membership and its wonderful posterity for so comparatively young an association, as shown by the first annual address of Illustrious William B. Melish, Imperial Potentate.

2. That so much of the address as refers to the Fraternal Dead be referred to a Committee on Deceased Members.

3. That so much of the address as refers to Dispensations and Charters be referred to the Committee appointed to review such matters.

4. That so much of the address of the Imperial Potentate, and so much of the reports of the Imperial Recorders and Imperial Treasurer as relates to Finance, be referred together with the expense of the Imperial Officer to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

5. That so much of the address as refers to the Ingold case of appeal be referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

6. That all matters pertaining to changes in the Constitution and Laws be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws.

7. That all matters referring to the suspension of Noble Frank M. Luce, being questions of law and usage, be referred to the Committee on Jurispru-

dence and Laws, as required by Article XI, page 7, of the Constitution and Laws of the Order.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES KERR, JR.,

JOSEPH SWOPE,

CHARLES CARY,

FRANK T. GILBERT,

ALLEN ANDREWS,

Committee.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

RECESS.

At this point the Council took a recess until 9 o'clock, June 14, 1893.

PROCEEDINGS, JUNE 14, 1893, 9 A. M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

The Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws presented the following report:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, upon due consideration of the various amendments to the Constitution proposed at the Session of the Imperial Council and the By-Laws of the Temples hereinafter mentioned, beg leave to report:

We recommend the approval of the By-Laws of Kora Temple, with the changes noted in them.

Naja Temple being still under dispensation, no examination has been made of the By-Laws presented by that Temple.

We recommend that no change be made in Section 2, Article XIII, and Section I, Article XIV, of the Constitution.

We recommend the approval of the following amendments to the Constitution, all of which have been properly presented, and which have lain over the requisite time required by law, viz.:

To amend Section 2 of Article XXV, so that it shall read "After a candidate has been declared elected any subsequent objection or protest must be filed in writing signed by at least three members of the body and must stand. Said objection shall be entered upon the minutes and shall have the same force and effect as a second ballot, and shall prevent a reconsideration of the matter for thirteen weeks."

To amend Section 5, Article 30, to read: "A member may be suspended for non-payment of dues, and suspended or expelled for conduct unbecoming a member of the Order.

To suspend for non-payment of dues, a majority vote only of the members present at any regular meeting shall be necessary, provided notice has been given to the delinquent member that he is in arrears, and an opportunity afforded him to be present.

For conduct unbecoming a member of the Order, it shall require a vote of two-thirds of the members present to suspend membership, and a vote of three-fourths of the members present to expel a member at any regular meeting.

No member of a Temple can be suspended or expelled for conduct unbecoming a member without formal charges being presented, notice served upon him and an opportunity afforded him to be heard in his defense.

To amend Section 1 of Article III to read as follows: "To every Temple working by authority of a Charter, granted by this Imperial Council, there shall be one Representative, who must be a member of the Temple electing him. Each Temple shall be entitled to two Representatives when its membership reaches three hundred, three Representatives when its membership reaches four hundred, and four Representatives when its membership reaches six hundred, but no Temple shall be allowed more than four Representatives.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. DOBBIN,
B. F. PRICE,
L. M. KNEFFLY,
HARRISON DINGMAN,
GEORGE H. BURNHAM,
Committee.

This report, upon motion duly seconded, was adopted.

TIME OF NEXT ANNUAL SESSION.

Noble McDowall moved the appointment of a committee to select the time and place of the next session of the Imperial Council and report.

Seconded and carried.

The Imperial Potentate appointed the following committee.

SAMUEL McDOWALL,
FRED WALSEN,
JAMES A. FOX,
JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
WILLIAM A. STILES.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals presented the following report:

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council:

We, the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, to whom was referred

the appeal of Eugene Ingold, against Kismet Temple, respectfully report as follows:

The record in the case is not such as we would desire to recommend as the form to be adopted for appeals. From the papers in the case we are advised that Eugene Ingold, a resident of Pittsburgh, Pa., and within the jurisdiction of Syria Temple, being in the city of New York, in company with certain Nobles of Kismet Temple, and solicited to present a petition to that body, signed such a petition, and the same was presented at a meeting of Kismet Temple. The applicant was elected and received the degrees in due form in that Temple.

The members of Syria Temple, learning of this fact, and knowing that there were several among them who had been and were opposed to the admission of Eugene Ingold into the Nobility, felt grieved at the action of Kismet Temple, and caused official inquiry to be made by Syria Temple of Kismet Temple as to the facts in the case. After considerable correspondence, which we do not deem necessary to set out in full in this report, the attention of the Imperial Potentate was called to the matter, and some letters passed between him and the officers of the two Temples. Acting, as was believed by the members of Kismet Temple, under the instruction of the Imperial Potentate, a meeting was called of Kismet Temple and a resolution was adopted, as certified by the Recorder, expelling said Eugene Ingold from Kismet Temple. The appellant was made a Noble on April 27th, 1888, and the action above was taken by Kismet Temple on July 13, 1888. It appears that no charges or specifications were ever filed in Kismet Temple against appellant: that no summons or citation was ever issued or served upon Ingold. That no trial was had, no defense was presented and no opportunity to defend himself before the Temple was accorded to Ingold. In fact, he seems to have been wholly unadvised that any action had been, or should be taken as to himself, in any way or on any account. The appeal of Ingold raises the question simply, so far as this committee is concerned, as to the regularity or otherwise, legality or illegality, of the action of Kismet Temple in thus dealing with him.

Section 5, Article XXX, of the Constitution of the Imperial Council, is in these words: "Section 5. No member of a subordinate Temple can be expelled by a vote of his Temple without formal charges being presented, notice being served upon him and an opportunity afforded him to be heard in his defense."

No trial of Ingold ever took place. The action of Kismet Temple controverted the letter and spirit of the law, and was not only irregular but must be declared void. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the action of Kismet Temple, in expelling from that Temple Eugene Ingold, be and the same is hereby declared to have been null and void, and never to have been in anywise operative or binding upon the said Eugene Ingold."

We take occasion to congratulate the Nobility upon the fact that this is the only case which has come before us, and that peace and harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction of this Grand Body.

Respectfully submitted.

O. M. METCALF,
H. GIBBONS,
WILLIAM RYAN,
CHAS. W. CUSHMAN,
CHAS. H. FISK,

Committee.

Noble Metcalf, Chairman of the Committee, moved the adoption of the report.

Noble C. H. Winsor moved as a substitute that the action of Kismet Temple be sustained.

Seconded and lost.

The question recurring on the adoption of the report, the vote being taken, was found favorable, and the report was adopted as read.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MEMBERS.

The Committee on Deceased Members presented the following report:

CINCINNATI, June 14, 1893,

To the Imperial Potentate and Representatives of the Imperial Council:

The Committee on Deceased Members are advised that the Black Camel has crossed the lines of our jurisdiction, but as neither the names or number of the faithful who have entered the Unseen Temple have been placed in our hands, in order that their names may be printed in the proceedings of this Imperial session and suitable obituaries prepared, we would recommend that the Imperial Recorder be directed to obtain from the various Temples the names of all who have died since the last annual session, and that they be printed in full in the proceedings of this session.

Respectfully submitted:

HENRY STOWELL,
C. H. WINSOR,
JOHN H. WILES,
S. R. ELLISON,
LOU B. WINSOR,

Committee.

On motion, the report, duly seconded, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND LAWS.

Noble Dobbin, Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, presented the following report, touching the suspension of Imperial Recorder, Frank M. Luce:

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, to whom was referred that that portion of the Address of the Imperial Potentate referring to the suspension of Noble Frank M. Luce from the office of Imperial Recorder on the 7th day of February, 1893, beg leave to report:

That they have carefully examined the law and the facts pertaining to said case and after duly considering the same, believe that the Imperial Potentate was fully justified by law and precedent in the course adopted by him.

Your committee are of the unanimous opinion that during the interim of the Sessions of the Imperial Council the Imperial Potentate is by the constitution of this body endowed with the same powers as those of the Council itself. If this be not true, then there is no authority whatever in the Order except when the Imperial Council is in session.

Upon a careful investigation we find it to be the universal law in all Grand Secret Society bodies, Masonic and otherwise, that the presiding officer of the Grand Body is the absolute and only authority when the Grand Body itself is not in session, and when the constitution of a body fails to clearly express the authority of a presiding officer, precedent, custom and usage must govern in determining the extent of his authority.

If it be granted that the Imperial Potentate has the same powers that the Imperial Council has during the interim between its sessions, except when they are specially limited by the Constitution itself, then the matter is clear. The Constitution, Section 3, gives the Imperial Council the right to try, discipline, suspend or expel, its members for violation and disobedience of its constitution, regulations and edicts.

Your committee believe that the Imperial Potentate has the same right, subject, of course, to an appeal to the Imperial Council.

If no such power is inherent in the office of the Imperial Potentate during the interim of the Sessions of the Imperial Council, then an officer occupying a position of trust and confidence, could deliberately rob the body, squander its funds, obstruct and set at defiance its laws, and for a period of 363 days in the year say to the presiding officer, "What are you going to do about it?" Common sense must certainly dictate that the presiding officer has some power in the premises to protect the interest of the Order over which he presides and whose interest he is pledged to protect.

We are not, however, without precedents to govern us in the conclusions at which we have arrived.

In 1890, Illustrious Imperial Potentate Briggs suspended the Charter of Ziyara Temple, and on page 20 of the Proceedings of 1891 he used this language: "Holding that I am the representative of the Imperial Council during the interim between Sessions, and possessing the power which is delegated to the Imperial Council itself, I hold that I had the authority to use the same means to secure respect for the law as the Council had when in ab-

solute Session, being amenable for my acts only to the Imperial Council in Session assembled."

In relation to the above, the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws reported (page 49, Proceedings, 1891) :

We therefore recommend: First. That the action of the Imperial Potentate be endorsed as entirely within the powers of his high office.

Your committee are of the opinion that if an Imperial Potentate can suspend the work of a Chartered Temple, he can certainly suspend an officer from office for cause, even if he be elective. A Charter for life is certainly as important as the election to an office for one year; both are subject to good behavior, and can be corrected by competent authority. Imperial Potentate Briggs also quoted Section 4, of Article V, which reads: "During the recess of the Imperial Council he (the Imperial Potentate) is invested with a general supervision of the Order throughout the jurisdiction."

Your committee are of the opinion that this clause of the Constitution gives the Imperial Potentate the power to supervise, correct and remove any officer if the good of the Order demands it. The Imperial Council endorsed the acts of the Imperial Potentate Briggs in the fullest sense.

In the matter of Grand Master Dean, of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar against Grand Recorder Parvin, on page 156, proceedings of Grand Encampment 1883, the Grand Master says: "Whereas the circulars issued by this Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment contain inadmissible statements and are acts of insubordination, disrespectfully to the Grand Encampment and its Grand Master, calculated to bring the institution into disrespect and disgrace, and open up its affairs to exposure and discussion before the outside world, etc., etc. It is further ordered that the Grand Recorder, the very Eminent Sir Knight Theodore S. Parvin, except by permission of the Grand Master, either as Grand Recorder, etc., in his capacity whatever, issue no more circulars, etc. And that the Grand Recorder in his said capacity confine his acts to the discharge of those duties imposed upon him by the Constitution, or by the Grand Encampment, or by order of the Grand Master."

While Sir Parvin was not suspended from office, the authority of the Grand Master to suspend was sustained.

In proceedings of 1883 Grand Encampment, the committee having the matter in charge says:

"We do not see, under the circumstances, that the Grand Master could have acted otherwise than he did without, in effect, abandoning his high office, etc. He is the head and chief executive of the Order, and his instructions are to be obeyed by all his subordinate officers and every Sir Knight without obstruction or hindrance in all matters of administration during the recess of the Grand Encampment."

In conclusion, your committee desire to state that they are of the unanimous opinion that the acts of the Imperial Potentate in suspending Noble

Frank M. Luce from the office of Imperial Recorder is in accordance with law, and should be approved.

J. L. DOBBIN,
BUN F. PRICE,
LAWRENCE M. KNEFFLY,
HARRISON DINGMAN,
GEORGE H. BURNHAM,
Committee.

Noble Dobbin moved the adoption of the report as read.

Noble Smith moved as an amendment, that the report of the committee be not approved, and that the following be adopted: That the action of the Imperial Potentate be disapproved.

Noble Sloan moved as a further amendment, that the report of the committee be adopted.

Seconded.

The roll being called, the ayes and noes resulted in the following vote: 47 ayes and 75 noes.

YEAS.

Al Chymia Temple.....	Memphis, Tenn.....	Bun F. Price.
Aleppo Temple.....	Boston, Mass.....	Thomas Waterman.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	James A. Fox.
Alhambra Temple.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.....	A. N. Sloan.
Al Koran Temple.....	Cleveland, O.....	R. P. Marvin, Jr.
Almas Temple.....	Washington, D. C.....	Harrison Dingman.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	George H. Walker.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	James H. Wardle.
Affi Temple.....	Tacoma, Wash.....	George F. Hart.
El Jebel Temple.....	Denver, Colo.....	Fred. Walsen.
El Zagal Temple.....	Fargo, N. D.....	A. B. Guptill.
Hella Temple.....	Dallas, Texas.....	James Garrity.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	Lawrence M. Knepfly.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	Joseph Swope.
Isis Temple.....	Salina, Kansas.....	Thomas L. Bond.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	Oscar Seitz.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	Charles A. Hiller.
Jerusalem Temple.....	New Orleans, La.....	Richard Lambert.
Moolah Temple.....	St. Louis, Mo.....	William H. Mayo.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	Gustave W. Niemann.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	O. F. Stifel.
Moslem Temple.....	Detroit, Mich.....	Ed. R. Harris.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	Hugh A. Holmes.
Osman Temple.....	St. Paul, Minn.....	Oscar M. Metcalf.
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "	W. H. Crary.

Palestine Temple.....	Providence, R. I.....	George H. Burnham.
" "	" "	H. K. Blanchard.
Rameses Temple.....	Toronto, Canada	Henry A. Collins.
Sahara Temple.....	Pine Bluff, Ark	John T. Marsh.
Saladin Temple.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.....	R. B. Swartout.
" "	" "	Lou B. Winsor.
Salaam Temple.....	Olney, Ill.....	George F. Beck.
Syria Temple.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	William S. Brown.
" "	" "	James Kerr, Jr.
Syrian Temple.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Allen Andrews.
" "	" "	Charles H. Fisk.
" "	" "	William Michie.
Tangier Temple.....	Omaha, Neb	Henry C. Akin.
" "	" "	Henry Gibbons.
" "	" "	Gustave Anderson.
Zamora Temple.....	Birmingham, Ala.....	Charles Wheelock.
Ziyara Temple.....	Utica, N. Y.....	John W. Boyle.
" "	" "	Henry D. Pixley.
" "	" "	John B. Jones.
Zuhrah Temple.....	Minneapolis, Minn.....	Joseph L. Dobbin.
" "	" "	John A. Schlener.
" "	" "	James B. Hudson.

NOES.

Abdallah Temple....	Leavenworth, Kans.....	John H. Atwood.
" "	" "	Alfred B. Keller.
" "	" "	Dwight Byington.
Acca Temple.....	Richmond, Va.....	Louis P. Ecker.
Aleppo Temple.....	Boston, Mass.....	Benj. W. Rowell.
" "	" "	Frank Locke.
Algeria Temple.....	Helena, Mt.....	James H. Monteath.
Al Koran Temple.....	Cleveland, Ohio.....	Horace W. Hubbard.
" "	" "	N. S. Harris.
" "	" "	*Sam. Briggs.
Ararat Temple.....	Kansas City, Mo.....	John H. Wiles.
" "	" "	E. F. Allen.
" "	" "	Eugene G. E. Jaccard.
Ballut Abyad Temple.	Albuquerque, N. M.....	Edward Medler.
Boumi Temple.....	Baltimore, Md.....	Wm. C. Nickum.
" "	" "	George W. Starr.
" "	" "	J. Henry Snyder.
Cyprus Temple.....	Albany, N. Y.....	Thomas J. Bishop.
Damascus Temple....	Rochester, N. Y.....	George F. Loder.
" "	" "	Samuel C. Pierce.
" "	" "	S. D. W. Cleveland.

*Ad vitam member.

El Jebel Temple.....	Denver, Colo.....	Albert B. McGaffey.
El Kahir Temple.....	Cedar Rapids, Ia.....	Cyrus W. Eaton.
“ “	“ “	George I. Miller.
“ “	“ “	Willis S. Gardner.
El Riad Temple.....	Sioux Falls, S. D.....	Curtis H. Winsor.
“ “	“ “	Chas. H. Vincent.
“ “	“ “	Wm. H. Stoddard.
El Kalah Temple.....	Salt Lake City, Utah.....	Samuel McDowall.
Islam Temple.....	San Francisco, Cal.....	Chas. L. Field.
“ “	“ “	Victor D. Duboce.
“ “	“ “	Hiram T. Graves.
Ismailia Temple.....	Buffalo, N. Y.....	Chas. W. Cushman.
“ “	“ “	Frank T. Gilbert.
“ “	“ “	George L. Brown.
Kaaba Temple.....	Davenport, Ia.....	Clark L. Richards.
“ “	“ “	John Hoyt.
“ “	“ “	George L. Osborn.
Kismet Temple.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Alonzo Brymer.
“ “	“ “	Thomas S. Gardner.
“ “	“ “	Martin B. Klopp.
Kora Temple.....	Lewiston, Me.....	Albert M. Penley.
Lu Lu Temple.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Joseph S. Wright.
“ “	“ “	Frederick Leibrandt.
“ “	“ “	Charles Cary.
“ “	“ “	Edward B. Jordan.
Mecca Temple.....	New York, N. Y.....	George W. Millar.
“ “	“ “	James McGee.
“ “	“ “	Joseph B. Eakins.
“ “	“ “	S. R. Ellison, M. D.
“ “	“ “	*Walter M. Fleming.
Medinah Temple	Chicago, Ill.....	John C. Smith.
“ “	“ “	William A. Stiles.
“ “	“ “	Frank M. Luce.
“ “	“ “	L. W. Campbell.
Media Temple.....	Watertown, N. Y.....	Omar A. Hine.
Moila Temple.....	St. Joseph, Mo.....	E. F. Hartzell.
Mount Sinai Temple.....	Montpelier, Vt.....	Ira R. Allen.
Moslem Temple.....	Detroit, Mich.....	William M. Bailey.
Murat Temple.....	Indianapolis, Ind.....	John T. Brush.
“ “	“ “	R. O. Hawkins.
Oriental Temple.....	Troy, N. Y.....	Henry Stowell.
“ “	“ “	William A. Lent.
“ “	“ “	Henry Schneider.
Osiris Temple.....	Wheeling, W. Va.....	Mathew R. Wolff.
“ “	“ “	E. E. Baldwin.

*Ad vitam member.

Pyramid Temple.....	Bridgeport, Conn.....	Thaddeus B. Beecher.
“ “	“ “	Clarence M. Foster.
“ “	“ “	F. C. Whipple.
Sesostris Temple.....	Lincoln, Neb	James Tyler.
“ “	“ “	Melchert H. Garten.
“ “	“ “	Frank M. Glenn.
Syria Temple.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	A. V. Holmes.
Tripoli Temple.....	Milwaukee, Wis.....	William H. Brazier.
Zem Zem Temple.....	Erie, Pa.....	Frank J. Bassett.

DID NOT VOTE.

Kosair Temple	Louisville, Ky.....	William Ryan.
Moslem Temple.....	Detroit, Mich.....	Lou Burt.
Morocco.....	Jacksonville, Fla.....	Irving E. Baird.
Murat Temple.....	Indianapolis, Ind.....	Joseph W. Smith.
Osman Temple	St. Paul.....	Clarence E. Stone.
Palestine.....	Providence, R. I.....	J. S. Rogers.
Pyramid.....	Bridgeport, Conn.....	Henry Setzer, Jr.
Saladin Temple.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.....	George F. Buss.
Syria Temple.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Thomas J. Hudson.
Syrian Temple.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.....	William B. Melish.

The Imperial Potentate declared the motion to adopt the report lost.

NOTE BY IMPERIAL RECORDER.

The presentation of the differences between the Imperial Potentate and the Imperial Recorder by Noble J. C. Smith and Noble Curtis H. Winsor being so fair, and the vote of the Nobles of the Imperial Council such a complete vindication of the Imperial Recorder, all letters and papers that might properly have been here inserted are withheld, as no further defense is necessary.

FRANK M. LUCE,
Imperial Recorder.

Noble Smith presented the following resolution:

“*Resolved*, That the incoming Imperial Potentate be and he is hereby requested to forward the sum of \$500.00 in sterling exchange to Noble John Worthington, at Valletta, Malta, immediately upon the adjournment of this Imperial Council. The same being the sum appropriated for the use of Noble Worthington at the last session of this Imperial Council.”

Illustrious Noble Briggs moved the adoption of the resolution. The Imperial Potentate stated that it must go to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

Noble Smith objected to this reference and stated that it was not necessary, having been reported back by the Finance Committee at the last session of this Imperial Council and adopted.

The motion having been duly seconded the resolution was then adopted.

Noble McGee presented the following communication, which upon motion was referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts:

To the Imperial Council, A. A. O. Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

The undersigned, in behalf of himself and of the Temple over which he has the honor to preside, courteously represents that the Past Imperial Potentate, Sam. Briggs, before the expiration of his term of office, communicating with the officers of Mecca Temple, in the City of New York, authorized and directed them to insert an advertisement in an Arabic newspaper, the "Kawkab America," published by the Oriental Publishing Company, at 45 Pearl Street, City of New York, stating who were the officers of the Imperial Council, where and when they assembled, etc., etc., and directing this Arabic newspaper to publish the notice for six months, and further directing that a large number of the issues should be sent to the place of meeting of the Imperial Council at Omaha. That in accordance with such order Mecca Temple contracted with such publishing house, and the advertisement was duly inserted and continuously published, as per agreement. Subsequently when the present Imperial Potentate ascended the throne, he denied the power of his predecessor to make any such contract, and furthermore repudiated the agreement, and refused to order the payment of the bill, whereupon Mecca Temple to save the Order from scandal and in order to protect her own honor, deemed it her duty (especially as the Imperial Council was liable and threatened with suit at law) to pay the same, and did so pay.

Now, therefore, if the Imperial Council coincides with the decision of the present Imperial Potentate, that the Illustrious Sam. Briggs should not be sustained in authorizing and directing such contract, made as he considered for the good of the Order, then Mecca Temple, ever mindful of the honor and integrity of the Mystic Shrine, presents the receipted bill to the Imperial Body, notwithstanding their firm conviction of the inviolability of the contract as denied by the present Imperial Potentate. A decision hereon is requested.

Yours in the Nobility,

AUGUSTUS W. PETERS,

Potentate of Mecca Temple.

To this is attached the receipted bill of the Oriental Publishing Company for \$230.00.

Noble Briggs at this point moved that inasmuch as the Imperial Recorder had been reinstated and sustained in his position that the acting Imperial

Recorder be now requested to turn over the books and papers to the Recorder of this Council.

The Imperial Potentate ruled the motion out of order and stated that inasmuch as the Imperial Recorder has been sustained by the Council, he was entitled to all books and papers belonging to this Imperial Council.

Noble Luce thereupon received the books and papers from Acting Imperial Recorder Mayo.

RECESS.

At this point the Council took a recess until 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts presented the following report:

To the Imperial Potentate, Officers and Members of the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S.:

Your Committee on Finance and Accounts would respectfully report that they have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Imperial Treasurer and find them correct. The cash balance now in his hands being \$13,980.83, he having vouchers for funds received and paid out.

We find upon examination that Imperial Recorder Noble, Frank M. Luce received \$11,463.00 and paid the same to the Imperial Treasurer.

The Acting Imperial Recorder, Noble William H. Mayo, received \$4,157.15 and paid over to the Imperial Treasurer \$3,880.15, leaving a balance in his hands of \$277.00.*

Referring to the appropriation made at the last Session of this Imperial Council of one thousand dollars to cover expenses of Imperial Potentate in the discharge of his official duties, we find from his address that he has used \$708.55, leaving an unexpended balance in his hands of \$291.45.

Referring to the investment of funds made by the Imperial Potentate amounting to \$2,000.00, we have a certified check for the same with \$41.65 interest added, said check has been handed your Committee, who recommend that it should be covered back into the Imperial Treasury and we further recommend that after paying the expenses of this present Imperial Council Session if in the judgment of a majority of the trustees or their successors they deem it wise to invest any portion of the balance then on hand, or that may be received during the current year, that they be authorized to invest such portion of said funds, in such securities as they deem best for the interest of this Imperial Council.

*Since the annual meeting this shortage of \$277.00 has been adjusted. Noble Mayo having paid over the amount to the Imperial Treasurer June 27, 1893.

We recommend that a contingent fund of \$1,000.00 be created, against which the Imperial Potentate may in the usual manner draw from the Imperial Treasurer from time to time to cover expenses in the discharge of his official duties.

We recommend that the salary of the Imperial Recorder for the coming year be placed at \$1,500.00, the same to be full compensation for all services rendered this Imperial Council, including office rent, engrossing diplomas and all office expenses excepting postage, telegraph and expressage.

We recommend that six hundred copies of the proceedings of this meeting be published and distributed in the usual manner.

We recommend that the Representatives to this Imperial Council be paid at the rate of five (5) cents per mile each way traveled and \$10.00 a day for three days.

We recommend that a cash book be procured for the Recorder especially ruled and columns headed in which the revenue for the different accounts of the Imperial Council must be entered.

We recommend that the Recorder of each Temple send under the seal of the local Temple to the chairman of the Committee on Finance and Accounts, care of the Imperial Council, a statement of all moneys sent to the Imperial Recorder during each current year, that said account be closed and to cover funds remitted up to thirty (30) days preceding the first day of the month in which the Imperial Council shall meet in Annual Session.

We recommend that the Imperial Recorder keep a Ledger account of the different funds, as well as an account between the Imperial Council and each local Temple.

We recommend that the Imperial Recorder and Imperial Treasurer be required to furnish a bond in some well known security company and that the expense of the same be paid by this Imperial Council.

We recommend that the Official Stenographer be paid \$100.00 for his services at this Session, also mileage to and from Buffalo, and that he furnish a duplicate of the proceedings of this meeting to the Imperial Potentate.

We recommend that an order be drawn in favor of Mecca Temple for the sum of \$230.00 in payment of the bill of the Oriental Publishing Company.

Respectfully submitted.

HUGH A. HOLMES,
GEORGE W. MILLAR,
E. B. JORDAN,
DWIGHT BYINGTON,
JOHN A. SCHLENER.

Committee.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RITUAL.

Noble Ryan, of the Committee on Ritual, presented the following, and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, The Committee on Ritual was appointed to perform a very important duty, and

WHEREAS, The time allotted for the completion of the work was entirely inadequate; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Committee report progress to the Imperial Council and recommend that the Committee be continued until the next session of the Imperial Council, and that they be authorized to meet three days prior to the session of the Imperial Council, not counting Sunday, and that they complete and report a Ritual.

WILLIAM RYAN,

Vice-President of Committee.

Noble Windsor moved as an amendment that the report be filed and the Committee discharged.

The amendment was seconded and lost by a standing vote resulting in 42 for and 41 against.

The report was then adopted.

On motion of Noble Graves the Imperial Potentate was authorized to fill any vacancies that might occur upon the Ritual Committee between now and the time of the next regular session.

Noble Bailey presented the following standing resolution, a motion to adopt which was seconded and carried:

"The Imperial Recorder is directed to issue to all Temples quarterly, a list of all expulsions, suspensions and restorations reported to him."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO SELECT A DESIGN FOR A JEWEL
FOR PAST IMPERIAL POTENTATES.

To the Imperial Council, A. A. O. N. M. S.:

Your Committee, appointed at the annual session of the Imperial Council held in Omaha, Nebraska, in August last, to prepare a design for a Jewel for Past Imperial Potentates, beg leave to report that they have performed their duty, and submit a design prepared by F. G. Smith Sons & Co., of Detroit, Michigan, which will cost the sum of \$500.

THOMAS J. HUDSON,

E. R. HARRIS,

JAMES A. FOX,

Committee.

On motion of Noble Smith the design was adopted and a Committee directed to procure a Jewel at a cost not exceeding the sum of \$500.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Noble Smith presented the following amendment to the Constitution:

Amend Article XI, Section 1, of the Constitution of this Imperial Council, by adding after the words "Imperial Potentate," the words "immediately after his installation."

Noble Andrews moved as an amendment, to insert the words "at least sixty days before the meeting."

The amendment was accepted by Noble Smith, and the resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Noble McDowall presented the following amendments to the Constitution, which were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws:

Resolved, That Article IX on page 6 of the Constitution of 1892 be amended, by striking out the word "five" in line 11, and inserting the word "twenty-five."

Also Section 2 of Article VIII, on page 5 of the Constitution of 1892, be amended by striking out the word "two" in the last line of Section 2, Article VIII, and inserting the word "ten."

Noble Wm. S. Brown presented the following amendment to the Constitution, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, this amendment to precede Section 7, Article V, page 4, of the Constitution:

"He shall have power, when in his judgment the exigencies of the case require, to suspend from office any officer of the Imperial Council until the next session, and to provide during such suspension for the performance by another of the duties of the officer so suspended."

Noble J. L. Dobbin presented the following from the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws:

To the Imperial Council Nobles of the Mystic Shrine:

Your Committee, to whom was referred certain motions to amend the Constitution at this session, beg leave to report that all the amendments offered at this session of the Imperial Council must lie over until the next session unless adopted by a three-fourths vote, in accordance with Section 1, Article XXXIV of the Constitution, which requires the assent of three-fourths of the members present to amend any part of the Constitution. (At this point a motion was made and carried to act on the report *seriatim*). We recommend that in case it shall be found proper in your wisdom to adopt the following amendments by a three-fourths vote:

First: That Article VIII of Section 2 be so amended as to read that the bond of the Imperial Recorder shall be hereafter \$10,000 instead of \$2,000 as at present.

Adopted unanimously.

Second: That Article IX be so amended as to provide that the bond of the Imperial Treasurer shall be \$25,000 instead of \$5,000 as at present.

Upon motion of Noble Wright the bond was fixed at \$20,000. With this amendment Section 2 of the report was adopted by a three-fourths vote.

Third: That Article V, Section 7, be so amended by inserting therein, previous to Section 7, the following words: "He shall have power, when in his judgment the exigencies of the case require, to suspend from office any officer of the Imperial Council until the next session, and to provide during such suspension for the performance by another of the duties of the officer so suspended."

On motion of Noble Smith, Section 3 of the above report was rejected, and the motion to adopt the same was lost.

The report was then adopted as amended.

J. L. DOBBIN,
BUN F. PRICE,
L. M. KNEFFLY,
GEORGE H. BURNHAM,
Committee.

Noble Wm. S. Brown again submitted his amendment to Section 7, Article V of the Constitution, and asked that it lay over until the next session:

"He shall have power, when in his judgment the exigencies of the case require, to suspend from office any officer of the Imperial Council until the next session, and to provide during such suspension for the performance by another of the duties of the officer so suspended."

LOCATION AND TIME OF NEXT ANNUAL IMPERIAL COUNCIL MEETING.

Noble McDowall, chairman of the Committee on Time and Place of next meeting, reported as follows:

To the Officers and Representatives of the Imperial Council:

We, your committee to examine into and recommend for your consideration the time and place for the meeting of the Imperial Council in 1894, beg leave to report that but one Temple has preferred a request, to-wit: El Jebel, of Denver, Colorado, and we therefore recommend that the next meeting of this Council be held in Denver, Colorado, beginning Tuesday, July 17, 1894.

Respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL McDOWALL,
FRED. WALSEN,
JAMES A. FOX,
JOSEPH B. EAKINS,
WILLIAM A. STILES,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the committee and the recommendation was adopted.

In this connection Noble McGee tendered an invitation to the Council to hold its next session, that of 1895, at New York City.

The invitation was received and the thanks of the Council returned.

ELECTION OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

Noble Smith, at this point, asked the unanimous consent of the Council to proceed to the election of officers.

Unanimous consent was thereupon granted.

The Imperial Potentate appointed as tellers the following Nobles: Ed. R. Harris, S. C. Pierce, George H. Walker, Joseph B. Hudson, Gus. W. Niemann.

The ballot was then taken for Imperial Potentate, when, after some delay, the Imperial Potentate declared that there was no choice, and another ballot was then ordered by a call of the roll, resulting in the selection of Thomas J. Hudson, of Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa. The roll call was then dispensed with, and the following Nobles were elected officers to fill the balance of the chairs of the Imperial Council for the ensuing year:

Noble CHARLES L. FIELD.....	Imperial Deputy Potentate.
" FRANK LOCKE.....	Imperial Chief Rabbân.
" JOHN T. BRUSH.....	Imperial Assistant Rabbân.
" A. B. MCGAFFEY.....	Imperial High Priest and Prophet.
" ALONZO BRYMER	Imperial Oriental Guide.
" JOSEPH S. WRIGHT.....	Imperial Treasurer.
" FRANK M. LUCE.....	Imperial Recorder.
" LOUIS P. ECKER.....	Imperial First Ceremonial Master.
" ETHELBERT F. ALLEN.....	Imperial Second Ceremonial Master.
" THOMAS J. BISHOP....	Imperial Marshal.
" THADDEUS B. BEECHER.....	Imperial Captain of Guard.
" CURTIS H. WINSOR.....	Imperial Outer Guard.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS.

Noble Waterman, Chairman of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, presented the following report, which was read and voted upon *seriatim*:

To the Imperial Council, N. M. S.:

The Committee on Dispensations and Charters have held lengthy sessions, and having carefully considered all matters brought before them, beg leave to present the following as their report:

In the matter of the application for a Dispensation for a Temple at Topeka, Kansas, which came to us as unfinished business, your committee, after hearing the petitioners, and representatives at Leavenworth, have determined to recommend that no Dispensation be granted on this application.

Noble Ryan moved as a substitute that the Dispensation be granted.

Seconded and lost.

The report was then adopted as read.

An application to establish a Temple at Wichita, Kansas, was also presented, and your committee, after hearing argument in behalf of the application, have decided to recommend that no Dispensation be granted.

Adopted as read.

On these two applications it appeared that a Temple at Leavenworth and also one at Salina are in existence, and are but moderately prosperous. Topeka is but fifty-seven miles from Leavenworth, and the distance from Topeka to Salina is but one hundred and fifteen miles. The distance from Wichita to Salina is about seventy-five miles. The distance from Wichita to Leavenworth is about two hundred miles. For these and other reasons your committee has arrived at its conclusions.

On motion of Noble Smith, the report was adopted as read.

In the matter of the application for a Temple at Columbus, Ohio, your committee would report that we recommend that the Imperial Potentate issue a dispensation, provided Al Koran, Syrian and the proposed new Temple shall agree in writing on jurisdictional lines, and file such agreement with the Imperial Potentate and the Imperial Recorder as a part of the records of this body. That unless such an agreement is entered into your committee would report adversely to their application.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted as read.

In the matter of the establishment of a Temple at Peoria, Illinois, your committee, upon the facts and papers presented, recommend the granting of a Charter under the name of Mohammed, concurrent jurisdiction in the State of Illinois having been agreed to, as represented to your committee, by Medinah, Salaam and the proposed new Temple.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted as read.

In the matter of Rajah Temple, under Dispensation at Reading, Pa., your committee recommend the granting of a charter.

Ill. Noble Wright moved an amendment that in granting this Charter concurrent jurisdiction be granted in the territory occupied by Rajah and Lu Lu Temples.

The motion was ruled out of order by the Imperial Potentate.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted as read.

In the matter of the application for the establishment of a Temple at Charleston, W. Va., your committee recommend a postponement of action until the next annual session of the Imperial Council.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted as read.

In the matter of an application to Charter a Temple at Meridian, Miss., to be known as Hamasa Temple, your committee recommend the granting of a Charter, there being no Temple in the State.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted as read.

In the matter of the application of Naja Temple, at Deadwood, S. Dakota, for a Charter, now acting under a Dispensation, we recommend that a Charter be granted.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted as read.

In the matter of an application for a Dispensation for a Temple at Marquette, Michigan, we recommend granting the same, provided they select some name not already in use.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted as read.

In the matter of India Temple, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Territory, we recommend that the Dispensation be continued until the next Annual session of the Imperial Council.

On motion of Noble Smith, duly seconded, the report was adopted as read.

Appended to the report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations is the following:

It is the sense of this Imperial Council that no new Temples should be established in states where two or more Temples now exist, until there shall have been an increase to the amount of fifty per centum of the number of persons having the necessary pre-requisites to membership in the Order over the number now existing.

THOMAS WATERMAN,
JOHN W. BOYLE,
CYRUS W. EATON,
A. B. MCGAFFEY,
GEORGE F. LODER,

Committee.

On motion, the report of the Committee was adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE.

By the Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives, the following report was presented :

To the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine :

Your Committee on Mileage and Pay of Representatives of the Imperial Council beg leave to recommend that the Representatives to the Imperial

Council be paid mileage at the rate of five cents per mile each way traveled, computed by the shortest railroad route, and that they be allowed *per diem* for three days at the rate of ten dollars a day.

The committee also report that, in cases where the amount of receipts from the Temples for the year 1892 is less than the amount of mileage for their Representatives, the latter amount was limited to the receipts from such Temples for the year 1892.

The committee therefore recommend that the amounts set opposite to the names of the Representatives be paid, as follows :

Name of Representative.	Temple.	Location.	Miles.	Amount of Mileage.	Mileage and Per diem.	Amount paid Imp. Treas. r for 1892.	Amount Paid.
Noble J. H. Atwood.....	Abdallah.....	Leavenworth.	650	\$65 00	\$95 00	\$ 244 00	\$ 81 83
" A. B. Keller.....	".....	".....	"	65 00	95 00	"	81 83
" Dwight Byington.....	".....	".....	"	65 00	95 00	"	81 83
" Louis P. Ecker.....	Acca.....	Richmond.....	580	58 00	88 00	104 00	88 00
" G. F. Hart.....	Affil.....	Tacoma.....	2777	277 70	307 70	56 00	56 00
" Thomas Waterman.....	Aleppo.....	Boston.....	923	92 30	122 30	1118 00	122 30
" James A. Fox.....	".....	".....	"	92 30	122 30	"	122 30
" B. W. Rowell.....	".....	".....	"	92 30	122 30	"	122 30
" Frank Locke.....	".....	".....	"	92 30	122 30	"	122 30
" James H. Monteath.....	Algeria.....	Helena.....	2056	205 60	235 60	66 00	66 00
" Bun F. Price.....	Al Chymia.....	Memphis.....	487	48 70	78 70	82 00	78 70
" R. P. Marvin, Jr.....	Al Koran.....	Cleveland.....	244	24 40	54 40	176 00	54 40
" H. W. Hubbard.....	".....	".....	"	24 40	54 40	"	54 40
" N. S. Harris.....	".....	".....	"	24 40	54 40	"	54 40
" A. N. Sloan.....	Alhambra.....	Chattanooga.....	398	39 80	63 80	44 00	44 00
" H. Dingman.....	Almas.....	Washington.....	553	55 30	85 30	294 00	85 30
" George H. Walker.....	".....	".....	"	55 30	85 30	"	85 30
" J. H. Wardle.....	".....	".....	"	55 30	85 30	"	85 30
" J. H. Wiles.....	Ararat.....	Kansas City.....	627	62 70	92 70	426 00	92 70
" E. F. Allen.....	".....	".....	"	62 70	92 70	"	92 70
" E. G. E. Jaccard.....	".....	".....	"	62 70	92 70	"	92 70
" W. C. Nickum.....	Boumi.....	Baltimore.....	593	59 30	89 30	176 00	58 66
" Geo. W. Starr.....	".....	".....	"	59 30	89 30	"	58 66
" J. H. Snyder.....	".....	".....	"	59 30	89 30	"	58 66
" Edward Medler.....	Ballut Abyad.....	Albuquerque.....	1546	154 60	184 60	38 00	38 00
" Thos. J. Bishop.....	Cyprus.....	Albany.....	721	72 10	102 10	170 00	102 10
" Geo. F. Loder.....	Damascus.....	Rochester.....	495	49 50	79 50	154 00	51 33
" S. G. Pierce.....	".....	".....	"	49 50	79 50	"	51 33
" S. D. W. Cleveland.....	".....	".....	"	49 50	79 50	"	51 33
" A. B. McGaffey.....	El Jebel.....	Denver.....	1265	126 50	156 50	400 00	156 50
" Fred Walsen.....	".....	".....	"	126 50	156 50	"	156 50
" S. McDowall.....	El Kalah.....	Salt Lake City.....	1824	182 40	212 40	68 00	68 00
" C. W. Eaton.....	El Kahir.....	Cedar Rapids.....	519	51 90	81 90	472 00	81 90
" G. I. Miller.....	".....	".....	"	51 90	81 90	"	81 90
" W. S. Gardner.....	".....	".....	"	51 90	81 90	"	81 90
" C. H. Winsor.....	El Riad.....	Sioux Falls.....	847	84 70	114 70	326 00	108 66
" C. H. Vincent.....	".....	".....	"	84 70	114 70	"	108 66
" W. H. Stoddard.....	".....	".....	"	84 70	114 70	"	108 66
" A. B. Guphill.....	El Zagal.....	Fargo.....	1177	117 70	147 70	110 00	110 00
" James Garrity.....	Hella.....	Dallas.....	1052	105 20	135 20	160 00	53 33
" L. M. Knepfly.....	".....	".....	"	105 20	135 20	"	53 33
" Joseph Swope.....	".....	".....	"	105 20	135 20	"	53 33
" T. L. Bond.....	Isis.....	Salina.....	849	84 90	114 90	275 00	91 66
" Chas. A. Miller.....	".....	".....	"	84 90	114 90	"	91 66
" Oscar Seitz.....	".....	".....	"	84 90	114 90	"	91 66
" Chas. L. Field.....	Islam.....	San Francisco.....	2872	287 20	317 20	204 00	68 00
" V. D. Duboce.....	".....	".....	"	287 20	317 20	"	68 00
" H. T. Graves.....	".....	".....	"	287 20	317 20	"	68 00
" Chas. W. Cushman.....	Ismailia.....	Buffalo.....	426	42 60	72 60	230 00	72 60
" F. T. Gilbert.....	".....	".....	"	42 60	72 60	"	72 60
" G. L. Brown.....	".....	".....	"	42 60	72 60	"	72 60
" R. Lambert.....	Jerusalem.....	New Orleans.....	830	83 00	113 00	94 00	94 00

Name of Representative,	Temple.	Location.	Miles.	Amount of Mileage.	Mileage and Per diem.	Ampt. paid Imp. Treasurer for 1892	Amount paid.
Noble C. L. Richards	Kaaba	Davenport.	412	41 20	71 20	518 00	71 20
John Hoyt	"	"	"	41 20	71 20	"	71 20
G. L. Osborn	"	"	"	41 20	71 20	"	71 20
Alonzo Brymer	Kismet	Brooklyn	758	75 80	105 80	154 00	51 33
T. S. Gardner	"	"	"	75 80	105 80	"	51 33
M. B. Klopp	"	"	"	75 80	105 80	"	51 33
Wm. Ryan	Kosair	Louisville	110	11 00	41 00	40 00	40 00
A. M. Penley	Kora	Lewiston	1074	107 40	137 40	24 60	24 00
J. S. Wright	Lu Lu	Philadelphia	608	66 80	96 80	1220 00	96 80
F. Leibbrandt	"	"	"	66 80	96 80	"	96 80
Chas. Cary	"	"	"	66 80	96 80	"	96 80
E. B. Jordan	"	"	"	66 80	96 80	"	96 80
Geo. W. Millar	Mecca	New York	758	75 80	105 80	1068 00	105 80
James McGee	"	"	"	75 80	105 80	"	105 80
Jos. B. Eakins	"	"	"	75 80	105 80	"	105 80
S. R. Ellison	"	"	"	75 80	105 80	"	105 80
E. F. Hartzell	Moila	St. Joseph	650	65 00	95 00	96 00	95 00
J. C. Smith	Medinah	Chicago	300	30 00	60 00	938 00	60 00
W. A. Siles	"	"	"	30 00	60 00	"	60 00
Frank M. Luce	"	"	"	30 00	60 00	"	60 00
L. W. Campbell	"	"	"	30 00	60 00	"	60 00
Omar A. Hine	Media	Watertown	638	63 80	93 80	210 00	93 80
Wm. H. Mayo	Moolah	St. Louis	341	34 10	64 10	238 00	64 10
G. W. Niemann	"	"	"	34 10	64 10	"	64 10
O. F. Stifel	"	"	"	34 10	64 10	"	64 10
Lou. Burt	Moslem	Detroit	260	26 00	56 00	428 00	56 00
E. R. Harris	"	"	"	26 00	56 00	"	56 00
Hugh A. Holmes	"	"	"	26 00	56 00	"	56 00
Wm. M. Bailey	"	"	"	26 00	56 00	"	56 00
Irving E. Baird	Morocco	Jacksonville	841	84 10	104 10	34 00	34 00
John T. Brush	Murat	Indianapolis	111	11 10	41 10	366 00	41 10
R. O. Hawkins	"	"	"	11 10	41 10	"	41 10
Joseph W. Smith	"	"	"	11 10	41 10	"	41 10
Ira R. Allen	Mount Sinai	Montpelier	1100	110 00	140 00	90 00	90 00
Henry Stowell	Oriental	Troy	726	72 60	102 60	194 00	64 66
Wm. A. Lent	"	"	"	72 60	102 60	"	64 66
Henry Schneider	"	"	"	72 60	102 60	"	64 66
M. E. Wolf	Osiris	Wheeling	257	25 70	55 70	226 00	55 70
E. E. Baldwin	"	"	"	25 70	55 70	"	55 70
O. M. Metcalf	Osman	St. Paul	926	92 60	122 60	220 00	73 33
W. H. Cary	"	"	"	92 60	122 60	"	73 33
C. E. Stone	"	"	"	92 60	122 60	"	73 33
Geo. H. Burnham	Palestine	Providence	947	94 70	124 70	298 00	99 33
H. K. Blanchard	"	"	"	94 70	124 70	"	99 33
J. S. Rogers	"	"	"	94 70	124 70	"	99 33
T. H. Beecher	Pyramid	Bridgeport	814	81 40	111 40	322 00	81 00
G. M. Foster	"	"	"	81 40	111 40	"	81 00
Henry Setzer, Jr.	"	"	"	81 40	111 40	"	81 00
P. C. Whipple	"	"	"	81 40	111 40	"	81 00
Henry A. Collins	Rameses	Toronto	490	49 00	79 00	46 00	46 00
John T. Marsh	Sahara	Pine Bluff	600	60 00	90 00	128 00	90 00
W. F. Beck	Salaam	Olney	223	22 30	52 30	10 00	10 00
Geo. F. Buss	Saladin	Grand Rapids	308	30 80	60 80	434 00	60 80
R. D. Swartout	"	"	"	30 80	60 80	"	60 80
Lou. B. Winsor	"	"	"	30 80	60 80	"	60 80
James Tyler	Sesostris	Lincoln	807	80 70	110 70	296 00	98 66
M. H. Garten	"	"	"	80 70	110 70	"	98 66
Frank M. Glenn	"	"	"	80 70	110 70	"	98 66
Thomas J. Hudson	Syria	Pittsburgh	313	31 30	61 30	338 00	61 30
A. V. Holmes	"	"	"	31 30	61 30	"	61 30
W. S. Brown	"	"	"	31 30	61 30	"	61 30
James Kerr, Jr.	"	"	"	31 34	61 30	"	61 30
W. B. Melish	Syrian	Cincinnati	"	"	30 00	528 00	30 00
Allen Andrews	"	"	"	"	30 00	"	30 00
Wm. Michie	"	"	"	"	30 00	"	30 00
Chas. H. Fisk	"	"	"	"	30 00	"	30 00
Henry C. Akin	Tungier	Omaha	840	84 00	114 00	218 00	72 66

Nams of Representative.	Temple.	Location.	Miles.	Amount of Mileage and Per diem.	Amt. paid Imp. Treasurer for 1892.	Amount Paid.
Noble Henry Gibbons.....	Tangier	Omaha.....		84 00	114 00	72 66
" G. Anderson	"	"		84 00	114 00	72 66
" Wm. H. Brazier.....	Tripoli	Milwaukee	385	38 50	68 50	68 50
" Chas. Wheelock.....	Zamora	Birmingham	481	48 10	78 10	46 00
" Frank J. Bassett.....	Zem Zem.....	Erie	340	34 00	64 00	64 00
" John W. Boyle.....	Ziyara	Utica.....	628	62 80	92 80	75 33
" H. D. Pixley.....	"	"		62 80	92 80	75 33
" John B. Jones.....	"	"		62 80	92 80	75 33
" J. L. Dobbin.....	Zuhrah.....	Minneapolis.....	915	91 50	121 50	74 66
" J. A. Schlener.....	"	"		91 50	121 50	74 66
" J. B. Hudson.....	"	"		91 50	121 50	74 66
" D. K. Dickinson.....	Naja, U. D.....	Deadwood.....	1385	138 50	168 50	126 00
" J. Lewis Rake.....	Rajah, U. D.....	Reading.....	616	61 60	91 60	78 00
" Frank T. Haggerty.....	Stenographer	Buffalo.....	426	42 60		42 60
" Sam. Briggs.....	ad vitam	Cleveland.....	244	24 40	54 40	54 40
" Walter M. Fleming.....	ad vitam	New York.....	758	75 80	105 80	105 80
Total Mileage for 1893						\$9,971 17

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. BUSS,
JOSEPH W. SMITH,
ALONZO BRYMER,
JAMES TYLER,
THOMAS L. BOND.

Committee.

On motion the report was received and the recommendations were adopted.

On motion it was directed that all representatives of Temples who had received Charters should receive mileage and per diem.

Noble Smith presented the following resolution and moved its adoption :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Imperial Council are due and are hereby tendered to Imperial Potentate William B. Melish for the impartial and able manner in which he has presided over this Imperial Council, and that he will carry with him to his home the sincere and heartfelt thanks of the Nobles of this Imperial Council. That they will bear him in mind and cherish his memory. That the thanks of this Council are also due to Syrian Temple for the magnificent hospitality that has been extended to the members of this Imperial Council, and particularly to the ladies and citizens of the Queen City of Cincinnati, for there is no city that takes greater pleasure in entertaining the stranger within its gates.

Seconded and carried unanimously.

Noble Smith—I now desire to add another motion, that a committee of three be appointed by the Chair for the purpose of having suitably and properly engrossed the resolution to Imperial Potentate Wm. B. Melish and presented to him.

Noble Melish here stated that he hoped the motion would not prevail, and that it was his desire that Noble Smith should withdraw his motion.

Whereupon the motion was withdrawn.

Noble Ryan moved that a committee of three be appointed to select a jewel for the Imperial Potentate, William B. Melish, at a cost not to exceed \$500.
Seconded.

Noble Melish then stated it was his desire that the motion be withdrawn, and stated, also, that any resolution of thanks by this Imperial Council should be made to Syrian Temple, and not to himself in person, and thereupon Noble Ryan withdrew his motion.

THANKS TO SYRIAN TEMPLE.

Noble Smith renewed his resolution tendering the thanks of the Imperial Council to Syrian Temple, to Past Imperial Potentate William B. Melish, the ladies and citizens of Cincinnati, Ohio, and asked for the appointment of a committee of three to have the same suitably engrossed and handsomely framed and presented to Syrian Temple.

Seconded and carried unanimously.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The officers elect were then installed by Imperial Potentate William B. Melish.

CLOSING OF IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

The Imperial Council at this point closed until its next Annual Session, to be held in the city of Denver, Colo., July 17, 1894.

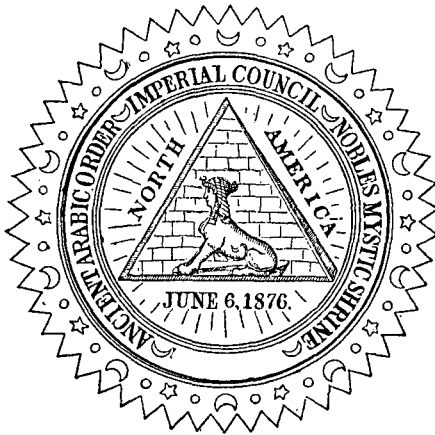
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PUBLICATION.

The Proceedings of the Nineteenth Annual Session are hereby approved for publication.

Thos. J. Hudson,

Imperial Potentate.



Attest:

Frank M. Tracy

Imperial Recorder.

ENTERED THE UNSEEN TEMPLE.

THOMLEY, SAMUEL.....	Jan. 14, 1892	ABDALLAH.
BECK, CHRISTIAN.....	Feb. 2, "	ABDALLAH.
LANYON, FRANK W.....	Sept. 28, "	ABDALLAH.
CHALMERS, JOHN.....	Dec. 20, 1891	ACCA.
TOWER, ISAAC S.....	Jan. 30, 1892	ACCA.
ALLEN, WILLIAM T.....	Oct. 5 "	ACCA.
ARNOLD, WEST JAMES.....	May 23, "	AFIFI.
NEWTON, DANIELS CHARLES.....	Oct. 15, "	AFIFI.
BLANDING, WILLIAM B.....	May 27, "	ALEPPO.
BAKER, THOMAS K.....	April 23, "	ALEPPO.
CONNER, HERBERT G.....	Jan. 5, "	ALEPPO.
CLOUTMAN, ALVAH.....	July 1, "	ALEPPO.
DEAN, BENJAMIN W.....	July 22, "	ALEPPO.
GROSE, JOSEPH R.....	Aug. 10, "	ALEPPO.
GRAFFAM, NELSON L.	Aug. 12, "	ALEPPO.
HOLBROOK, JOHN Q. A.....	July 16, "	ALEPPO.
LOVEJOY, A. D.....	Aug. 26, "	ALEPPO.
NICHOLS, EDWARD T.....	Feb. 10, "	ALEPPO.
RICHARDSON, H. E.	Jan. 28, "	ALEPPO.
RICHARDS, GEORGE H., Jr....	Feb. 16, "	ALEPPO.
STILES, JULIUS A.....	May 11, "	ALEPPO.
JACKSON, HENRY C.....	— —	ALHAMBRA.
EARHART, R. P.....	May 11, "	AL KADER.
OLESON, THOMAS.....	Aug. 11, "	AL KADER.
PATTON, THOMAS McF.....	Nov. 29, "	AL KADER.
TAYLOR, CHRISTOPHER.....	June 24, "	AL KADER.
BALDWIN, WILLIAM F.....	April 3, "	AL KORAN.
HENNING, MATTHEW.....	Jan. 1, "	AL KORAN.
MITCHELL, EDWARD.....	Feb. 22, "	AL KORAN.
PORTER, JOSEPH S.....	Oct. 27, "	AL KORAN.
RIDER, G. LIVERMORE.....	Oct. 1890	AL KORAN.
SPERRY, GEORGE P.....	Nov. 17, 1892	AL KORAN.
SCHWABE, EDWARD E.....	Aug. 18, "	AL KORAN.
BABCOCK, CHARLES F.....	— —	AL MALAIKAH.
LAZZARERICH, GIORANNI....	March 30, "	AL MALAIKAH.
SPENCE, EDWARD F.....	Sept. 18, "	AL MALAIKAH.
BOTELER, HENRY D.....	July 23, "	ALMAS.

CRIPPEN, FRANK E.	Aug. 5, 1892	ALMAS.
HOWARD, JAMES R.	Nov. 22, "	ALMAS.
KNOX, GEORGE W.	March 13, "	ALMAS.
LOWN, WARREN J.	Oct. 8, "	ALMAS.
MOHLER, WILLIAM H.	Oct. 1, "	ALMAS.
SCHWARZ, FRANK	Dec. 30, "	ALMAS.
WISE, THOMAS W.	Feb. 18, "	ALMAS.
EGGERS, J. T.	Sept. 21, "	ARARAT.
LOYD, ELIJAH	June 25, "	ARARAT.
GORE, GEORGE W.	May 5, "	ARARAT.
HOPKINS, J. S.	Sept. 29, "	BOUMI.
KREBS, J. E.	April 26, "	BOUMI.
IRELAND, JOHN	April 28, "	BOUMI.
ROSS, WILLIAM F.	Sept. 15, "	BOUMI.
BURG, PHILIP	June 11, 1891	CYPRUS.
ULINE, ANDREW B.	April 4, 1892	CYPRUS.
BAETZEL, JACOB	— —	DAMASCUS.
BIDWELL, CHARLES H.	— —	DAMASCUS.
GRAY, EDWIN C.	Oct. 4, "	EL JEBEL.
SPANGLER, GEORGE W.	Oct. 2, "	EL JEBEL.
MERRITT, SYLVESTER D.	Jan. 6, "	EL KATIF.
FAIRBANK, HORATIO T.	Nov. 23, "	EL KATIF.
HEARTT, SIDNEY P.	June 4, "	EL KAHIR.
LAING, E. G.	March 31, "	EL RIAD.
SHURLOCK, W. C.	Nov. 12, "	EL ZAGAL.
DAVIDSON, JOHN	June 19, "	EL ZAGAL.
FOOT, L. A.	Feb. 8, "	HELLA.
HAMEST, JOHN E.	March 14, "	HELLA.
CAMP, GEORGE A.	May 10, "	ISLAM.
FARGO, E. A.	May 6, "	ISLAM.
VINE, J. E.	March 5, "	ISMAILIA.
BENNETT, RUDOLPH H.	— —	JERUSALEM.
MORTON F. B.	June 3, "	KISMET.
LEE, JOHN	Aug. 28, "	KISMET.
PARNELL, JAMES E.	Nov. 12, "	KISMET.
PALMER, NOYES G.	Dec. 16, "	KISMET.
KENDALL, GEORGE	June 11, "	KAABA.
McINTYRE, J. S.	Jan. 30, "	KAABA.
STEPHENSON, R.	May 21, "	KAABA.
WHITE, WILLIAM K.	Nov. 10, "	KAABA.
YOUNG, CHRISTOPHER B.	Oct. 25, "	KAABA.
MILLER, HENRY C.	March 13, "	KOSAIR.
KRIEGER, JACOB, Sr.	Dec. 19, "	KOSAIR.
ABRAMS, JOSEPH A.	Jan. 23, "	LU LU.

GROSS, JOSEPH	Feb. 8, 1892	Lu Lu.
ALPAUGH, SPENCER M.	Feb. 24, "	Lu Lu.
COLLINS, EDWARD	April 23, "	Lu Lu.
COREY, J. ALFRED	May 6, "	Lu Lu.
CANTLIN, JOHN R.	Aug. 7, "	Lu Lu.
BECKER, GEORGE H.	Sept. 19, "	Lu Lu.
FINKLE, JOHN	Nov. 20, "	Lu Lu.
GOULD, HUGH H.	Oct. 12, "	Lu Lu.
KENDRICK, CHARLES H.	March 26, "	Lu Lu.
LEHMAN, BERNHARD E.	Feb. 17, "	Lu Lu.
MOSS, JAMES A.	May 4, "	Lu Lu.
MILNER, JAMES P.	Oct. 25, "	Lu Lu.
MILLER, CHRISTIAN	Nov. 22, "	Lu Lu.
OCHS, GEORGE A.	Oct. 29, "	Lu Lu.
REIFSNYDER, ISRAEL	April 8, "	Lu Lu.
RUNDIO, ABRAHAM R.	Oct. 8, "	Lu Lu.
RUSSELL, SAMUEL L.	Oct. 11, "	Lu Lu.
SIPLER, JOHN P.	Nov. 22, "	Lu Lu.
ANDERSON, CHARLES H.	Oct. 17, "	MECCA.
BULL, JAMES F.	Feb. 15, "	MECCA.
BOWDEN, WILLIAM H.	July 8, "	MECCA.
BAKER, ULYSSES.	Aug. 30, "	MECCA.
BUTTS, ALEXANDER B.	Sept. 2, "	MECCA.
CORWIN, CHARLES W.	Aug. 7, "	MECCA.
DEW, EDWIN.	Jan. 29, "	MECCA.
DODD, LOUIS F.	May 11, "	MECCA.
DODGE, MILES H.	Nov. 1, "	MECCA.
FARRAND, JOSEPH S.	Aug. 22, "	MECCA.
GILLEN, WILLIAM H.	Oct. 22, "	MECCA.
GARRISON, WILLIAM D.	Dec. 2, "	MECCA.
HAMMANN, VALENTINE.	April 27, "	MECCA.
HAYNARD, CADVIN D.	Sept. 22, "	MECCA.
HUSTED, JAMES W.	Sept. 25, "	MECCA.
HARDY, GEORGE J.	Dec. "	MECCA.
JONES, SAMUEL.	Aug. 11, "	MECCA.
KIRTLAND, GEORGE M.	Jan. 16, "	MECCA.
LOWE, JOHN.	Aug. 26, "	MECCA.
MERRIMAN, TRUMAN H.	April "	MECCA.
MORGAN, GEORGE W.	July 10, "	MECCA.
PRATT, WILLIAM	March 11, "	MECCA.
PARRAGA, JOSE M.	Sept. 19, "	MECCA.
LOGAN, HENRY C.	Jan. 16, "	MECCA.
STRAIN, ROBERT	Nov. 17, "	MECCA.
SMITH, JOHN T.	— — 1891	MECCA.

TEVES, CHRISTIAN F	Oct. 26, 1892	.....	MECCA.
VAN KEUREN, JOHN A.....	April 18,	"	 MECCA.
VAN BRAKLE, CHARLES H....	April 18,	"	 MECCA.
VANDENBERG, JOHN V. W....	Aug. 12,	"	 MECCA.
MALTERNER, P. C.....	Dec. 7,	"	 MEDIA.
STONE, CYRUS K.....	Dec. 10,	"	 MEDIA.
AUSTIN, CHARLES H.....	July 23,	"	 MEDINAH.
ARMOUR, THOMAS.....	Oct. 14,	"	 MEDINAH.
COCHRANE, WILLIAM.....	Jan. 6,	"	 MEDINAH.
CUDIHEE, D. H.....	May 9,	"	 MEDINAH.
FULLER, MOSES N.....	Oct. 22,	"	 MEDINAH.
HARRIS, CHARLES H.....	May 4,	"	 MEDINAH.
HYDE, A. E.....	Jan. 30	"	 MEDINAH.
KINGMAN, H. M.....	Dec. 16, 1891	.....	MEDINAH.
KOTZENBERG, CHARLES.....	Oct. 8, 1892	.....	MEDINAH.
LINSTED, D. B.....	May 27,	"	 MEDINAH.
MUSSEREAN, GEORGE S.....	June 21,	"	 MEDINAH.
SMITH, LOT P.....	Oct. 9,	"	 MEDINAH.
WILDER, F. M.....	Jan. 13,	"	 MEDINAH.
LEMON, CHARLES T.....	May 13,	"	 MOILA.
HARMON, JOHN W.....	July 17,	"	 MOILA.
DICK, THOMAS B.....	Aug. 18,	"	 MOROCCO.
WILKINSON, EDWIN A.....	Aug. 10,	"	 MOUNT SINAI.
FILDEN, GEORGE W.....	Nov. 25	"	 MOUNT SINAI.
HEART, WESLEY E.....	Nov. 30	"	 MOUNT SINAI.
AYERS, CHARLES N.....	March 3,	"	 MOSLEM.
CUDDY, WILLIAM.....	Aug. 15,	"	 MOSLEM.
EVANS, JOHN E	March 10,	"	 MOSLEM.
MULLIKEN, J. B.....	Nov. 23,	"	 MOSLEM.
PHILLIPS, FRANK W.....	Jan. 6,	"	 MOSLEM.
VINING, WILBUR K.....	Jan. 6,	"	 MOSLEM.
GARRETT, GEORGE H.....	June 26,	"	 MOOLAH.
PERCY, JOHN T.....	Aug. 15,	"	 MOOLAH.
HIBBARD, L. D.....	Nov. 5,	"	 MOOLAH.
BAKER, ALBERT R.....	Dec. 3,	"	 MURAT.
BEIGLER, JOHN C.....	Dec. 25,	"	 MURAT.
BRIGGS, LEONARD I.....	May 14,	"	 MURAT.
JOHNSON, DANIEL W	Nov. 19,	"	 MURAT.
MORROW, ALFRED J.....	Feb. 16,	"	 MURAT.
RICHARDSON, D. A.....	Dec. 16,	"	 MURAT.
SLATTERY, M. M.....	Dec. 14,	"	 MURAT.
SWOPE, FRANCIS M.....	Sept. 5,	"	 MURAT.
WILLIAMS, S. T.....	April 30,	"	 MURAT.
WAIT, EDWARD.....	Aug. 27,	"	 ORIENTAL.

ROBERTS, R. B.....	Sept. 30, 1892	.....	OSIRIS.
PARSONS, J. A. H.	June 6, "	.....	OSIRIS.
McDONALD, DOUGALD.....	Jan. 28, "	.....	OSMAN.
LEACH, JOHN A.	March 12, "	.....	OSMAN.
SAWYER, JAMES M.	July 29, "	.....	OSMAN.
GRIFFIN, FREDERICK F.	Sept. 6, "	.....	OSMAN.
MAYALL, SAMUEL.....	Sept. 17, "	.....	OSMAN.
ELLIS, MATTHEW.....	Dec. 7, "	.....	OSMAN.
SMITH, DEVILLO S.....	April 25, "	.....	OSMAN.
STILLMAN, HENRY W.....	Feb. 5, "	.....	PALESTINE.
BLODGETT, WALTER.....	Nov. 20, "	.....	PALESTINE.
PERRY, GEORGE Y.....	Aug. 29, "	.....	PALESTINE.
HOLDEN, GEORGE C.....	Nov. 26, "	.....	PALESTINE.
BENNETT, FRANK C.....	March 27, "	.....	PYRAMID.
BARTLETT, STEPHEN T.....	Oct. 18, "	.....	PYRAMID.
BUNNELL, JOHN W.....	July 5, "	.....	PYRAMID.
FARR, DEXTER R.....	Aug. 24, "	.....	PYRAMID.
JAMES, CORNELIUS W.....	Sept. 21, "	.....	PYRAMID.
MILLS, CHARLES D.....	May 3, "	.....	PYRAMID.
SWIFT, THEODORE E.....	April 6, "	.....	PYRAMID.
WILLETT, CHARLES R.....	July 19, "	.....	PYRAMID.
FRANCISCO, HARRY.....	Feb. 2, "	.....	SALAAM.
ACKERSON, GARED G.....	July 22, "	.....	SAHARA.
HOLT, ROBERT P.....	Oct. 22, "	.....	SAHARA.
BENEDICT, EDWARD D.....	Jan. 30, "	.....	SALADIN.
BARTH, JACOB.....	Jan. 5, "	.....	SALADIN.
TRACY, JAMES H.....	Dec. 6, 1891	.....	SALADIN.
WOOD, WILLIAM SCOTT.....	Feb. 1, 1892	.....	SALADIN.
FISHER, BENJAMIN.....	Jan. 13, "	.....	SYRIA.
REINMANN, ISAAC.....	Jan. 18, "	.....	SYRIA.
LUTES, GEORGE W.....	Feb. 18, "	.....	SYRIA.
WOOD, JR., BENJ. L.....	March 5, "	.....	SYRIA.
MATTHEWS, JOHN B.....	April 5, "	.....	SYRIA.
MORGAN, JAMES.....	June 4, "	.....	SYRIA.
KLINGENSMITH, W. H.	July 29, "	.....	SYRIA.
PURNELL, JESSE R.....	Aug. 31, "	.....	SYRIA.
BELL, PETER.....	Oct. 20, "	.....	SYRIA.
CLARK, HUGH G.....	Nov. 30, "	.....	TANGIER.
BROOKS, THOMAS J.....	May 1, 1891	.....	TRIPOLI.
CAMPBELL, GARDNER.....	Sept. 9, 1892	.....	TRIPOLI.
HARRISON, WILLIAM H.....	— —	.....	TRIPOLI.
PATTEN, THOMAS.....	July 7, "	.....	TRIPOLI.
SMITH, EVERETT A.....	Oct. 28, "	.....	TRIPOLI.
TAGGARD, EDWARD J.....	Feb. 25, "	.....	TRIPOLI.

VAN DEUSEN, AUG.....	Feb. 18, 1892	.....	TRIPOLI.
WEEMAN, FRANK L.....	Feb. 25,	"	TRIPOLI.
MEAD, SETH J.....	Sept. 27,	"	ZEM ZEM.
MARVIN, CHAUNCEY.....	—	1891	ZIYARA.
CHANCY, J. B.....	May 9,	"	ZIYARA.
CHASE, GEORGE HENRY.....	Dec. 10,	"	ZIYARA.
RINGLAND, JOSEPH	Nov. 16,	"	ZIYARA.
MASICK, DEWITT J.....	April,	1892	ZIYARA.
YOUNG, GEORGE.....	May 19,	"	ZIYARA.
MURPHY, WILLIAM G.....	Oct. 16,	"	ZIYARA.
ORENDORF, J. B.....	Nov. 21,	"	ZIYARA.
RICE, M. A.....	Nov. 24,	"	ZIYARA.
PILLSBURY, F. C.....	May 15,	"	ZUHRAH.
PERRILL, C. B.....	May 6,	"	ZUHRAH.
WYMEND, J. C.....	Jan. 16,	"	ZUHRAH.
BIXBY, J. A.....	May 11,	"	ZUHRAH.
STEPHENSON, C. E.....	Sept. 1,	"	ZUHRAH.
BRAND, C. C.....	Aug. 2,	"	ZUHRAH.

GLORY TO HIM

WHO TRANSPORTED HIS SERVANT TO THE UNSEEN TEMPLE!

CONGRESS
OF THE
IMPERIAL COUNCIL,
ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER
OF THE
NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE,
FOR
NORTH AMERICA.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.	
FRANK LOCKE	<i>Imperial Chief Rabban.</i>
BOSTON, MASS.	
JOHN T. BRUSH	<i>Imperial Assistant Rabban.</i>
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.	
A. B. MCGAFFEY	<i>Imperial High Priest and Prophet.</i>
DENVER, COLO.	
ALONZO BRYMER	<i>Imperial Oriental Guide.</i>
BROOKLYN, N. Y.	
JOSEPH S. WRIGHT	<i>Imperial Treasurer.</i>
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CHICAGO, ILL.	
LOUIS P. ECKER	<i>Imperial First Ceremonial Master.</i>
RICHMOND, VA.	
ETHELBERT F. ALLEN	<i>Imperial Second Ceremonial Master.</i>
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THOMAS J. BISHOP	<i>Imperial Marshal.</i>
GREENBUSH HEIGHTS, N. Y.	
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BRIDGEPORT, CONN.	
CURTIS H. WINSOR	<i>Imperial Outer Guard.</i>
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8. Bailey, Wm. M.....29 Miami Ave., Detroit, Mich.
9. Baird, Irving E.....Jacksonville, Fla.
10. Baldwin, E. E.....Wheeling, W. Va.
11. Bassett, Frank JErie, Pa.
12. Beck, William F.....Times Office, Olney, Ill.
13. Beecher, Thaddeus B.....P. O. Box 702, Bridgeport, Conn.
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15. Blanchard, Horace K.....Providence, R. I.
16. Bond, Thomas L.....Salina, Kan.
17. Boyle, John W.....Utica, N. Y.
18. Brown, George L.....121 Franklin St., Buffalo, N. Y.
19. Brown, William S.....520 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
20. Brazier, Wm. H.....Milwaukee, Wis.
21. Brush, John T.....30 When Block, Indianapolis, Ind.
22. Brymer, Alonzo.....373 Fulton St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
23. Burt, Lou.....95 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.
24. Burnham, George H.....Providence, R. I.
25. Buss, George F.....Grand Rapids, Mich.
26. Byington, Dwight.....418 Pine St., Leavenworth, Kansas.
27. Cary, Charles.....425 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
28. Caufy, Luther A.....392 Broadway, Milwaukee, Wis.
29. Campbell, Leonard W.....132 Jackson St., Chicago, Ill.
30. Cleveland, S. D. W.....Rochester, N. Y.
31. Collins, Henry A.....39 Melinda St., Toronto, Canada.
32. Crary, W. H.....St. Paul, Minn.
33. Cushman, Charles W.....35 Chapin Block, Buffalo, N. Y.
34. Dickinson, D. K.....Lead City, S. D.
35. Dingman, Harrison.....Atlantic Bldg., Washington, D. C.
36. Dobbin, Joseph L.....525 Temple Court, Minneapolis, Minn.
37. Duboce, Victor D.....Mills Bldg., San Francisco, Cal.
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39. Eakins, Joseph B.....158 W. 105th St., New York, N. Y.
40. Ecker, Louis P.....Richmond, Va.

41. Ellison, Saram R. 266 W. Forty-third St., New York, N. Y.
42. Elliott, Eugene S. 102 Wisconsin St., Milwaukee, Wis.
43. Field, Charles L. 312 Clay St., San Francisco, Cal.
44. Fisk, Charles H. Covington, Ky.
45. Foster, Clarence M. Bridgeport, Conn.
46. Fox, James A. Cambridge, Mass.
47. Gardner, Thomas S. 136 Pearl St., New York, N. Y.
48. Gardner, Willis S. Clinton, Ia.
49. Garten, Melchert H. Lincoln, Neb.
50. Garrity, James. Dallas, Texas.
51. Gilbert, Frank T. 119 Franklin St., Buffalo, N. Y.
52. Glenn, Frank M. 8 Unity Depot, Lincoln, Neb.
53. Gibbons, Henry. Omaha, Neb.
54. Graves, Hiram T. 808 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.
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56. Harris, Ed. R. 488 Third Ave., Detroit, Mich.
57. Harris, N. S. Cleveland, O.
58. Hard, Frank J. Brown-Palace Hotel, Denver, Colo.
59. Hart, George F. Tacoma, Wash.
60. Hawkins, R. O. Indianapolis, Ind.
61. Hartzell, E. F. 122 So. 4th St. Joseph, Mo.
62. Hine, Omar A. Watertown, N. Y.
63. Hiller, Charles A. Salina, Kan.
64. Holmes, Hugh A. Detroit, Mich.
65. Holmes, A. V. 36 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.
66. Hoyt, John. 113 W. Third St., Davenport, Iowa.
67. Hubbard, Horace W. 228 Bank St., Cleveland, O.
68. Hudson, Thomas J. P. O. Box 790, Pittsburgh, Pa.
69. Hudson, James B. Minneapolis, Minn.
70. Jaccard, Eugene G. E. Kansas City, Mo.
71. Jones, Wm. Cary. Spokane, Wash.
72. Johnston, John M. Los Angeles, Cal.
73. Jones, John B. 38 Plant St., Utica, N. Y.
74. Jordan, Edward B. 873 Union St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
75. Kerr, James, Jr. Pittsburgh, Pa.
76. Knepfly, Lawrence M. Dallas, Texas.
77. Keller, Alfred B. Leavenworth, Kan.
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79. Lent, William A. Troy, N. Y.
80. Lambert, Richard. New Orleans, La.
81. Locke, Frank. 5 Broad St., Boston, Mass.
82. Loder, George F. Rochester, N. Y.
83. Leibrandt, Frederick. 825 No. 7th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
84. Luce, Frank M. 167 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.
85. McDowall, Samuel. Salt Lake City, Utah.

86. McGaffey, Albert B.....Court House, Denver, Colo.
87. McGee, James.....64 Duane St., New York, N. Y.
88. Mayo, William H.....Masonic Hall, St. Louis, Mo.
89. Marsh, John T.....Pine Bluff, Ark.
90. Marvin, R. P., Jr.....Akron, O.
91. Medler, Edward.....Albuquerque, N. M.
92. Melish, William B.....181 Walnut St., Cincinnati, O.
93. Metcalf, Oscar M.....Germania Life Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.
94. Michie, William.....187 W. Fourth St., Cincinnati, O.
95. Millar, George W.....64 Duane St., New York, N. Y.
96. Miller, George I.....Boone, Ia.
97. Monteath, James H.....Butte City, Mt.
98. Morse, Charles S.....Austin, Texas.
99. Nickum, William C.....913 Fort Ave., Baltimore, Md.
100. Niemann, G. W.....St. Louis, Mo.
101. Nye, Joseph E.....West Union, Ia.
102. Osborn, George L.....Davenport, Ia.
103. Pierce, Samuel C.....Rochester, N. Y.
104. Price, Bun F.....Memphis, Tenn.
105. Penley, Albert M.....Auburn, Me.
106. Pixley, Henry D.....Utica, N. Y.
107. Richards, Clark L.....Davenport, Iowa.
108. Rake, J. Lewis.....Reading, P.
109. Rogers, John S.....Providence, R. I.
110. Rowell, Benjamin W.....28 School St., Boston, Mass.
111. Ryan, William.....610 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky.
112. Schneider, Henry.....Troy, N. Y.
113. Seitz, Oscar.....Salina, Kansas.
114. Setzer, Henry, Jr.....126 E. Washington Ave., Bridgeport, Conn.
115. Sloan, A. N.....Chattanooga, Tenn.
116. Schlener, John A.....Minneapolis, Minn.
117. Smith, John Corson.....65 Sibley St., Chicago, Ill.
118. Snyder, J. Henry.....Baltimore, Md.
119. Smith, Joseph W.....4 Ingall's Block, Indianapolis, Ind.
120. Starr, George W.....960 N. Howard St., Baltimore, Md.
121. Stifel, Otto F.....St. Louis, Mo.
122. Stoddard, Wm. H.....Sioux Falls, S. D.
123. Stone, Clarence E.....St. Paul, Minn.
124. Stiles, William A.....125 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.
125. Stockdell, H. C.....P. O. Box 473, Atlanta, Ga.
126. Stowell, Henry.....5 Cannon Place, Troy, N. Y.
127. Swope, Joseph.....Dallas, Texas.
128. Swartout, Richard D.....Grand Rapids, Mich.
129. Tyler, James.....111 N. Ninth St., Lincoln, Neb.
130. Vincent, Charles H.....Sioux Falls, S. D.

131. Waterman, Thomas.....Hotel Ikley, Boston, Mass
132. Walker, George H.....P. O. Box 22, Washington, D. C.
133. Winsor, Curtis H.....Sioux Falls, S. D.
134. Walsen, Fred.....P. O. Box 1859, Denver, Colo.
135. Wardle, James H.....Census Office, Washington, D. C.
136. Willis, John H.....316 W. 6th St., Kansas City, Mo.
137. Wheelock, Charles.....Birmingham, Ala.
138. Whipple, F. C.....Bridgeport, Conn.
139. Winsor, Lou B.....Reed City, Mich.
140. Wolff, Mathew R.....Wheeling, W. Va.
141. Wright, Joseph S.....1200 Filbert St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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2. Briggs, Sam.....48 Cedar Ave., Cleveland, O.

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TEMPLES IN THE EAST.

1. Worthington, John.....Island of Malta.

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1. Rawson, Albert L.....New York, N. Y.
2. Torrey, Charles W.....New York, N. Y.
3. Tyler, George O.....Burlington, Vt.
4. McClenachan, Charles T.....New York, N. Y.

TEMPLES UNDER THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

OFFICERS FOR 1893.

1.—ABDALLAH TEMPLE, LEAVENWORTH, KAN.

John H. Atwood (400 Delaware St.)	Potentate.
Alfred B. Keller	Chief Rabban.
Clarence C. Goodard	Assistant Rabban.
Edward W. Osgood	High Priest and Prophet.
John M. Laing	Oriental Guide.
Elmore W. Snyder	Treasurer.
Dwight Byington (418 Pine St.)	Recorder.
William B. Fletcher	First Cer. Master.
Henry Seller	Second Cer. Master.
Henry C. F. Hackbusch	Marshal.
Frank O'Donnell	Captain of Guard.
Thomas E. Conklin	Outer Guard.
Lamartine Creters	Director.

Founded March 28, 1887.—Number of Members, 322.

2.—ACCA TEMPLE, RICHMOND, VA.

Fred Pleasants	Potentate.
George L. Street	Chief Rabban.
Frank M. Cunningham	Assistant Rabban.
John R. Charleton	High Priest and Prophet.
George W. Rady	Oriental Guide.
John F. Mayer	Treasurer.
A. R. Gunn (Richmond, Va.)	Recorder.
John T. Parkham	First Cer. Master.
Charles W. Dunston	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas Whitten	Marshal.
Frank B. Jacobs	Captain of Guard.
William Krause	Outer Guard.
Louis P. Ecker	Director.

Founded June 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 176.

3.—AFIFI TEMPLE, TACOMA, WASH.

Richard A. Ketner (1104 Pacific Ave.).....	Potentate.
Trusten P. Dyer.....	Chief Rabban.
Nathan S. Porter.....	Assistant Rabban.
David L. Demorest.....	High Priest.
Edward R. Hare.....	Oriental Guide.
Henry Drum.....	Treasurer.
J. M. Morrison (1109 Pacific Ave.).....	Recorder.
Frank H. Case.....	First Cer. Master.
M. W. Lawrence.....	Second Cer. Master.
John T. Long.....	Marshal.
F. J. Schug.....	Captain of Guard.
Michael Swamp.....	Outer Guard.
George E. Cleveland.....	Director.

Founded August 1, 1888.—Number of Members, 162.

4—AHMED TEMPLE, MARQUETTE, MICH.

Dispensation granted June 14, 1893.

5.—ALEPPO TEMPLE, BOSTON, MASS.

Thomas Waterman (Hotel Ilkley).....	Potentate.
Caleb Saunders.....	Chief Rabban.
F. H. Spring.....	Assistant Rabban.
James A. Fox.....	High Priest.
Lycurgus Pitman.....	Oriental Guide.
Joseph W. Work.....	Treasurer.
Benjamin W. Rowell (28 School St.).....	Recorder.
James W. Hinkley.....	First Cer. Master.
Stephen C. Lowe.....	Second Cer. Master.
George S. Carpenter.....	Marshal.
Samuel A. Walker.....	Captain of Guard.
George A. Badger.....	Outer Guard.
Frank Loeke.....	Director.

Founded June 23, 1882.—Number of Members, 2,082.

6.—ALADDIN TEMPLE, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

Dispensation granted June 14, 1893.

7.—ALGERIA TEMPLE, HELENA, MONT.

A. C. Logan (Hunter's Hot Springs).....	Potentate.
James D. Finn.....	Chief Rabban.
Robert G. Young.....	Assistant Rabban.

S. E. Snider.....	High Priest.
A. Harrity.....	Oriental Guide.
Frank Baird.....	Treasurer.
George Booker (P. O. Box 333).....	Recorder.
H. S. Hepner.....	First Cer. Master.
A. B. Cook.....	Second Cer. Master.
George M. Hays.....	Marshal.
W. S. Spalding.....	Captain of Guard.
John C. Major.....	Outer Guard.
Richard Lockey.....	Director.

Founded March 23, 1888.—Number of Members, 210.

8.—AL CHYMIA TEMPLE, MEMPHIS, TENN.

Bun F. Price (Main and Union Sts.).....	Potentate.
William W. Carnes.....	Chief Rabban.
Charles L. Loop.....	Assistant Rabban.
Warren J. Brown.....	High Priest.
Thomas J. Graham.....	Oriental Guide.
David T. Porter.....	Treasurer.
John D. Huhn (16 Masonic Temple).....	Recorder.
Milton H. Price.....	First Cer. Master.
Alex. H. Kortrecht.....	Second Cer. Master.
William M. Brooks.....	Marshal.
Joseph W. Bruce.....	Captain of Guard.
Alex. Hunn.....	Outer Guard.
Robert W. Galloway.....	Director.

Founded April 23, 1891.—Number of Members, 92.

9.—ALHAMBRA TEMPLE, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

George C. Connor (Chattanooga).....	Potentate.
E. B. Park.....	Chief Rabban.
John B. Garrett.....	Assistant Rabban.
Archibald N. Sloan.....	High Priest.
John B. Nicklin.....	Oriental Guide.
John B. Nicklin.....	Treasurer.
William W. Simpson (Mountain City Club Bldg.).....	Recorder.
William R. Wilson.....	First Cer. Master.
Frederick F. Wallace.....	Second Cer. Master.
James R. Reid.....	Marshal.
Thomas W. Fritts.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles H. Dyer.....	Outer Guard.
H. A. McQuade.....	Director.

Founded September 7, 1889.—Number of Members, 130.

10.—AL KADER TEMPLE, PORTLAND, ORE.

Irving W. Pratt (69 So. First St.).....	Potentate.
David S. Tuthill.....	Chief Rabban.
John B. Clelland.....	Assistant Rabban.
George E. Withington.....	High Priest.
D. W. Taylor.....	Oriental Guide.
John R. Foster.....	Treasurer.
B. G. Whitehouse (100 Third St.).....	Recorder.
D. C. McKercher.....	First Cer. Master.
Andrew Roberts.....	Second Cer. Master.
James W. Cook.....	Marshal.
Wm. A. Bantz.....	Captain of Guard.
Gustaf Wilson.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 3, 1888.—Number of Members, 121.

11.—AL KORAN TEMPLE, CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Sam Briggs (48 Cedar Ave.).....	Potentate.
Moses G. Carroll.....	Chief Rabban.
Arthur B. Foster.....	Assistant Rabban.
James A. Mathews.....	High Priest.
Philip H. Keese.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles Wesley.....	Treasurer.
Sam. Briggs (48 Cedar Ave.).....	Recorder.
William Kenney.....	First Cer. Master.
Casper A. Dorer.....	Second Cer. Master.
Matthew Smith.....	Marshal.
Reuben D. Morgan.....	Captain of Guard.
Theodore Elmendorf.....	Outer Guard.
Horace W. Hubbard.....	Director.

Founded November 16, 1876.—Number of Members, 541.

12.—AL MALAIKAH TEMPLE, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Clarence E. DeCamp (Box 123).....	Potentate.
Florin L. Jones.....	Chief Rabban.
J. M. Johnston.....	Assistant Rabban.
Benj. N. Smith.....	High Priest.
Alfred H. Conger.....	Oriental Guide.
Tom J. Weldon.....	Treasurer.
David E. Barclay (Care Co. Assessor).....	Recorder.
W. B. Scarborough.....	First Cer. Master.
F. M. Smith.....	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas E. Walker.....	Marshal.
Edward D. Gibson.....	Captain of Guard.

Edmund Harlup Outer Guard.
 Robert R. Brown Director.

Founded February 6, 1888.—Number of Members, 245.

13.—ALMAS TEMPLE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Harrison Dingman Potentate.
 James M. Hodges Chief Rabban.
 Frank H. Thomas Assistant Rabban.
 John E. Smith High Priest.
 Jesse F. Grant Oriental Guide.
 Edward H. Chamberlin Treasurer.
 George H. Walker (P. O. Box 22) Recorder.
 Wm. Andrew Boyd First Cer. Master.
 Robert E. Constant Second Cer. Master.
 Andrew W. Kelley Marshal.
 Thomas P. Morgan, Jr. Captain of Guard.
 Samuel J. Haislett Outer Guard.
 Harry Standeford Director.

Founded January 7, 1886.—Number of Members, 421.

14.—ARARAT TEMPLE, KANSAS CITY, MO.

John H. Wiles (316 W. 6th St.) Potentate.
 W. H. Brown Chief Rabban.
 Ira C. Hubbell Assistant Rabban.
 H. N. Hansen High Priest.
 W. H. Leavitt Oriental Guide.
 W. P. Moores Treasurer.
 Arnold Shanklin (24 Wales Bldg.) Recorder.
 A. J. Pidgeon First Cer. Master.
 A. L. Ernst Second Cer. Master.
 J. H. Frame Marshal.
 Isie Milligan Captain of Guard.
 W. H. Donaldson Outer Guard.
 W. H. Wakefield Director.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 573.

15.—BALLUT ABYAD TEMPLE, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

Alexander Stevens (Albuquerque) Potentate.
 John L. Andrews Chief Rabban.
 Arthur Everett Assistant Rabban.
 Arthur E. Walker High Priest.
 Frank McKee Oriental Guide.
 Arthur J. Maloy Treasurer.

Augustus C. Briggs (Albuquerque).....	Recorder.
Edward W. Bliss.....	First Cer. Master.
Charles Mansard.....	Second Cer. Master.
E. S. Stover.....	Marshal.
John Bowadaile.....	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin Johnson.....	Outer Guard.
Arthur J. Maloy.....	Director.

Founded June 11, 1887.—Number of Members, 60.

16.—BEN HUR TEMPLE, AUSTIN, TEX.

D. W. Doom (Austin).....	Potentate.
W. H. Bell.....	Chief Rabban.
J. E. Wildbahn.....	Assistant Rabban.
G. W. Briggs.....	High Priest.
C. H. Welch.....	Oriental Guide.
Tom Murrah.....	Treasurer.
E. C. Bartholomew (5 Masonic Temple).....	Recorder.
Burt McDonald.....	First Cer. Master.
A. L. Teagarden.....	Second Cer. Master.
E. T. Moore.....	Marshal.
John A. Miller.....	Captain of Guard.
John Carson.....	Outer Guard.
John McDonald.....	Director.

Founded June 2, 1891.—Number of Members, 111.

17.—BOUMI TEMPLE, BALTIMORE, MD.

George W. Starr (960 N. Howard St.).....	Potentate.
James P. Clark.....	Chief Rabban.
C. M. McCahn.....	Assistant Rabban.
Jacob Likes.....	High Priest.
C. Baynes.....	Oriental Guide.
Samuel W. Regester.....	Treasurer.
J. H. Miller (Brown's Wharf).....	Recorder.
Mark A. J. Clift.....	First Cer. Master.
George A. Sollers.....	Second Cer. Master.
C. H. Bischoff.....	Marshal.
Dr. A. B. Lyman.....	Captain of Guard.
J. W. Guest.....	Outer Guard.
Wm. C. Nickum.....	Director.

Founded March 31, 1884.—Number of Members, 328.

18.—CYPRUS TEMPLE, ALBANY, N. Y.

Thomas J. Bishop (Greenbush Heights, Rensselaer Co.).....	Potentate.
Charles H. Armitage.....	Chief Rabban.

William W. Grey.....	Assistant Rabban.
Alfred A. Guthrie.....	High Priest.
John L. Godley.....	Oriental Guide.
Erasmus D. Jones.....	Treasurer.
William E. Fitch (328 So. Pearl St.).....	Recorder.
Henry W. Young.....	First Cer. Master.
F. L. Mix.....	Second Cer. Master.
Addison D. Cole.....	Marshal.
James B. McEwan.....	Captain of Guard.
William H. Gladding.....	Outer Guard.
James H. Kelly.....	Director.
Founded February 2, 1877.—Number of Members, 268.	

19.—DAMASCUS TEMPLE, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Geo. F. Loder (P. O. Box 937).....	Potentate.
William H. Whiting.....	Chief Rabban.
C. Avery.....	Assistant Rabban.
Samuel C. Pierce.....	High Priest.
S. D. W. Cleveland.....	Oriental Guide.
Edward Schaefer.....	Treasurer.
William Davis (Lock Box 688).....	Recorder.
C. Eckhardt.....	First Cer. Master.
W. C. Powers.....	Second Cer. Master.
Edward C. Way.....	Marshal.
F. C. Knefer.....	Captain of Guard.
William H. Davenport.....	Outer Guard.
R. W. West.....	Director.
Founded January 4, 1875. Number of Members, 481.	

20.—EL JEBEL TEMPLE, DENVER, COLO.

Thomas Nicholl (2721 Custis St.).....	Potentate.
William W. Anderson.....	Chief Rabban.
Silas W. Chaney.....	Assistant Rabban.
Wm. D. Peirce.....	High Priest.
Henry Dawson.....	Oriental Guide.
J. A. Vickers.....	Treasurer.
Alonzo F. Vick Roy (P. O. Box 1084).....	Recorder.
J. C. Johnston.....	First Cer. Master.
C. M. Van.....	Second Cer. Master.
John A. McBeth.....	Marshal.
W. J. Nicholl.....	Captain of Guard.
Chas. J. McIntosh.....	Outer Guard.
Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 672.	

21.—EL KALAH TEMPLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

A. N. Oliver.....	Potentate.
Samuel McDowall.....	Chief Rabban.
Julius Gauer.....	Assistant Rabban.
Hiram Johnson.....	High Priest.
Francis M. Bishop.....	Oriental Guide.
Harvey M. Bacon.....	Treasurer.
G. S. Clark (P. O. Box 509).....	Recorder.
W. A. Stanton.....	First Cer. Master.
Geo. W. Jones.....	Second Cer. Master.
Harvey Hardy.....	Marshal.
Chas. B. Jack.....	Captain of Guard.
J. F. Coker.....	Outer Guard.

Founded June 26, 1890.—Number of members, 115.

22.—EL KAHIR TEMPLE, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

Cyrus W. Eaton (19 Second Ave.).....	Potentate.
Edward I. Foster.....	Chief Rabban.
Calvin G. Greene.....	Assistant Rabban.
James Morton.....	High Priest.
Upton C. Blake.....	Oriental Guide.
James L. Bever.....	Treasurer.
George W. Bever (City National Bank).....	Recorder.
Edward H. Smith.....	First Cer. Master.
Edward L. Camp.....	Second Cer. Master.
Thomas Farmer.....	Marshal.
Marvin J. Gates.....	Captain of Guard.
Zelotes Farr.....	Outer Guard.
Austin D. Brown.....	Director.

Founded February 9, 1886.—Number of Members, 858.

23.—EL KATIF TEMPLE, SPOKANE, WASH.

Nathan B. Rundle.....	Potentate.
James E. Fenton.....	Chief Rabban.
Loren L. Rand.....	Assistant Rabban.
Ephraim Dempsie.....	High Priest.
Frank W. Churchouse.....	Oriental Guide.
Ralph L. Clarke.....	Treasurer.
Wm. F. Hazlett (612 Sprague Ave.).....	Recorder.
Alonzo M. Murphy.....	First Cer. Master.
William H. Ziegler.....	Second Cer. Master.
Arthur W. Perley.....	Marshal.
John H. Shaw.....	Captain of Guard.

N. Triplett.....Outer Guard.
 Henry L. Kennan.....Director.

Founded June 26, 1890.—Number of Members, 100.

24.—EL RIAD TEMPLE, SIOUX FALLS, S. D.

Curtis H. Winsor (Sioux Falls).....Potentate.
 John E. Corlond.....Chief Rabban.
 Ernest W. Coldwell.....Assistant Rabban.
 William H. Stoddard.....High Priest.
 George W. Burnside.....Oriental Guide.
 Charles H. Vincent.....Treasurer.
 Wm. H. Holt (Sioux Falls).....Recorder.
 Frank S. Emerson.....First Cer. Master.
 George W. Towry.....Second Cer. Master.
 Benjamin F. Campbell.....Marshal.
 Joseph W. Jones.....Captain of Guard.
 Frank Kumerth.....Outer Guard.
 William D. Stites.....Director.

Founded April 2, 1888.—Number of Members, 333.

25.—EL ZAGAL TEMPLE, FARGO, N. D.

Frank J. Thompson.....Potentate.
 Thomas Baker, Jr.....Chief Rabban.
 James C. Gill.....Assistant Rabban.
 Sylvester J. Hill.....High Priest.
 Hobart E. Wallace.....Oriental Guide.
 E. R. Sherburne.....Treasurer.
 Joel O. Jewett (4 Masonic Blk.).....Recorder.
 D. A. Lindsey.....First Cer. Master.
 Walter W. Smith.....Second Cer. Master.
 R. W. Knowlton.....Marshal.
 E. M. Robinson.....Captain of Guard.
 Samuel T. Connick.....Outer Guard.
 A. L. Loomis.....Director.

Founded November 29, 1889.—Number of Members, 186.

26.—HAMASA TEMPLE, MERIDIAN, MISS.

O. A. Harrison (Meridian).....Potentate.
 G. Smallshaf.....Chief Rabban.
 T. B. Lamb.....Assistant Rabban.
 J. M. Buchanan.....High Priest.
 J. T. Iglehart.....Oriental Guide.
 R. E. Harris.....Treasurer.

H. C. Smith (Meridian)	Recorder.
M. J. Thompson	First Cer. Master.
W. S. Harris	Marshal.
J. R. Smith	Captain of Guard.
John Kamper	Outer Guard.
Founded May 26, 1892.—Number of Members, 22.	

27.—HELLA TEMPLE, DALLAS, TEX.

George H. Green (P. O. Box 145)	Potentate.
Thomas M. Hunt	Chief Rabban.
Henry F. Burt	Assistant Rabban.
George A. Webster	High Priest.
Joseph Swope	Oriental Guide.
Edwin M. Reardon	Treasurer.
Wm. W. Manning (233 Main Street)	Recorder.
John G. Hunter	First. Cer. Master.
L. S. Garrison	Second Cer. Master.
L. T. Tune	Marshal.
Chas. H. Hotchkiss	Captain of Guard.
L. M. Knepfly	Outer Guard.
Founded May 31, 1887.—Number of Members, 399.	

28.—INDIA TEMPLE, OKLAHOMA, O. T.

Dispensation granted April 20, 1893, and continued by Imperial Council June 14, 1893.

29.—ISIS TEMPLE, SALINA, KAN.

Stephen J. Osborn (Salina)	Potentate.
Leroy O. Wight	Chief Rabban.
Edward W. Wellington	Assistant Rabban.
J. W. Crowley	High Priest.
John Anderson	Oriental Guide.
Oscar Seitz	Treasurer.
Alex. Berg (Salina)	Recorder.
Robert E. Nickles	First Cer. Master.
Allen L. Dodge	Second Cer. Master.
Chas. J. Hilton	Marshal.
James L. Jackson	Captain of Guard.
Freeman Kingman	Outer Guard.
Emil Arner	Director.
Founded March 30, 1887.—Number of Members, 428.	

30.—ISLAM TEMPLE, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Hiram T. Graves (808 Montgomery Street).....	Potentate.
B. P. Flint	Chief Rabban.
Alfred W. Baldwin.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles L. Patton.....	High Priest.
C. F. Burnham	Oriental Guide.
Edward H. Hanson	Treasurer.
Victor D. Duboce (Mill's Build'g)	Recorder.
G. Howard Thompson.....	First Cer. Master.
John G. Edmondson	Second Cer. Master.
Henry Edwards.....	Marshal.
William H. Smith	Captain of Guard.
Robert H. Mowbray	Outer Guard.
Asa R. Wells	Director.

Founded March 6, 1883.—Number of Members, 519.

31.—ISMAILIA TEMPLE, BUFFALO, N. Y.

Charles W. Cushman (35 Chapin Block).....	Potentate.
Frank T. Gilbert.....	Chief Rabban.
George L. Brown.....	Assistant Rabban.
Joel H. Prescott	High Priest.
Wm. M. Bloomer	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Bishop.....	Treasurer.
Erastus C. Knight (121 Franklin St.)	Recorder.
Frank M. Fisher.....	First Cer. Master.
Robert T. Walker.....	Second Cer. Master.
Chas. H. Trumell.....	Marshal.
James A. Given	Captain of Guard.
John Malcolm	Outer Guard.
Chas. E. Forsyth.....	Director.

Founded March 5, 1887.—Number of Members, 511.

32.—JERUSALEM TEMPLE, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Charles F. Buck (P. O. Box 81)	Potentate.
William T. Benedict.....	Chief Rabban.
David R. Graham	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Clark	High Priest.
George W. Booth	Oriental Guide.
Arthur W. Hyatt.....	Treasurer.
Richard Lambert (P. O. Box 81).....	Recorder.
George Soule	First Cer. Master.
Ira J. Folts	Second Cer. Master.
Wm. H. Dwyer	Marshal.

Hugh Green.....Captain of Guard.
 Thomas Cripps.....Outer Guard.
 Founded March 30, 1885.—Number of Members, 86.

33.—KAABA TEMPLE, DAVENPORT, IOWA.

Clark L. Richards (228 Brady St.).....Potentate.
 John HoytChief Rabban.
 Wilber F. Fidler.....Assistant Rabban.
 George L. Osborn.....High Priest.
 Alonzo W. Cantwell.....Oriental Guide.
 Cyrus T. Darling.....Treasurer.
 Cornelius J. Brown (306 E. Eighth St.).....Recorder.
 William F. WineckeFirst Cer. Master.
 Frank L. SnellSecond Cer. Master.
 Thomas Murray.....Marshal.
 Charles H. Reupke.....Captain of Guard.
 John N. DavisOuter Guard.
 George M. Cook.....Director.
 Founded (as Pyramid Temple) July 1, 1878.—Number of Members, 566.

34.—KISMET TEMPLE, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Alonzo Brymer (373 Fulton St.).....Potentate.
 Juan B. ArciChief Rabban.
 John D. AckerAssistant Rabban.
 Mills H. Landon.....High Priest.
 George E. Lilbey.....Oriental Guide.
 Martin H. Duane.....Treasurer.
 Joseph P. Abel (104 Stewart Bldg., New York).....Recorder.
 W. I. PhillipsFirst Cer. Master.
 Henry EdebohlsSecond Cer. Master.
 Peter M. McLaren.....Marshal.
 Charles H. Van Buren.....Captain of Guard.
 Godfrey LincksOuter Guard.
 Chas. J. Taglinbue.....Director.
 Founded July 2, 1887.—Number of Members, 429.

35.—KOSAIR TEMPLE, LOUISVILLE, KY.

John A. Stratton (310 Fifth St.).....Potentate.
 Chas. A. Graham.....Chief Rabban.
 Frank H. Johnson.....Assistant Rabban.
 R. S. MosesHigh Priest.
 Charles C. Vogt.....Oriental Guide.
 Wm. R. Johnson.....Treasurer.

Will. E. Ryan (610 East Broadway).....	Recorder
T. W. Hardwick.....	First Cer. Master.
John W. Cowles.....	Second Cer. Master.
David H. Wilson.....	Marshal.
E. C. Pearson.....	Captain of Guard.
George F. Evans.....	Outer Guard.
Hale T. Jefferson.....	Director.

Founded November 3, 1884.—Number of Members, 174.

36.—KORA TEMPLE, LEWISTON, ME.

Francis T. Faulkner (Turner, Me.).....	Potentate.
Charles E. Libby.....	Chief Rabban.
J. Frank Babbitt.....	Assistant Rabban.
Albert M. Penley.....	High Priest.
George D. Babbitt.....	Oriental Guide.
John N. Wood.....	Treasurer.
W. Chandler Bearce (Auburn, Me.).....	Recorder.
W. Freeman Lord.....	First Cer. Master.
Willie A. Knight.....	Second Cer. Master.
James E. Coombs.....	Marshal.
Samuel Hibbert.....	Captain of Guard.
E. M. Heath.....	Outer Guard.
Levator O. Morse.....	Director.

Founded December 14, 1891.—Number of Members, 85.

37.—LULU TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Joseph S. Wright (1200 Filbert St.).....	Potentate.
Ezra S. Bartlett.....	Chief Rabban.
Edward B. Spencer.....	Assistant Rabban.
N. Ferree Lightner.....	High Priest.
Philip C. Schaffer.....	Oriental Guide.
Michael F. Benerman.....	Treasurer.
Charles Cary (425 Walnut St.).....	Recorder.
John A. S. Heath.....	First Cer. Master.
Henry N. Metzger.....	Second Cer. Master.
Francis N. Hemperley.....	Marshal.
Joseph C. Brenner.....	Captain of Guard.
Benjamin K. Paullin.....	Outer Guard.
Edward B. Jordan.....	Director.

Founded December 31, 1883.—Number of Members, 2132.

38.—MECCA TEMPLE, NEW YORK.

Augustus W. Peters (60 Broadway).....	Potentate.
Charles A. Benedict.....	Chief Rabban.

Philip C. Benjamin.....	Assistant Rabban.
Charles A. Heyzer.....	High Priest.
Robert P. Lyon.....	Oriental Guide.
George W. Millar.....	Treasurer.
Saram R. Ellison (266 W. Forty-third St.).....	Recorder.
James V. Kirby.....	First Cer. Master.
Edgar M. Ayers.....	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph B. Eakins.....	Director.
George W. Wyatt.....	Marshal.
Frank Donnatin.....	Captain of Guard.
Henry G. Kimber.....	Outer Guard.
Founded September 26, 1872.—Number of Members, 2052.	

39.—MEDINAH TEMPLE, CHICAGO, ILL.

William M. Knight (Briggs House).....	Potentate.
Chester T. Drake.....	Chief Rabban.
R. M. Johnson.....	Assistant Rabban.
Canute R. Matson.....	High Priest.
Thomas H. Currier.....	Oriental Guide.
James S. Carter.....	Treasurer.
Frank M. Luce (167 Dearborn St.).....	Recorder.
John E. Norton.....	First Cer. Master.
John W. White.....	Second Cer. Master.
B. P. Baer.....	Marshal.
Chas. E. Cruikshank.....	Captain of Guard.
William Greig.....	Outer Guard.
Leonard W. Campbell.....	Director.
Founded October 30, 1882.—Number of Members, 1,662.	

40.—MEDIA TEMPLE, WATERTOWN, N. Y.

Danford G. Eggleston (20 Academy St.).....	Potentate.
Joseph A. McConnell.....	Chief Rabban.
F. W. Streeter.....	Assistant Rabban.
Edgar C. Emerson.....	High Priest.
Lloyd G. Chase.....	Oriental Guide.
Richard H. Huntington.....	Treasurer.
John S. Coon (4 Benedict St.).....	Recorder.
E. L. Waite.....	First Cer. Master.
James M. Hamilton.....	Second Cer. Master.
Eugene C. Van Namee.....	Marshal.
De Witt C. Middleton.....	Captain of Guard.
William A. Lytle.....	Outer Guard.
Claude H. Young.....	Director.
Founded March 19, 1891.—Number of Members, 256.	

41.—MOHAMMED TEMPLE, PEORIA, ILLS.

Charter granted June 14, 1893.

42.—MOILA TEMPLE, ST. JOSEPH, MO.

D. D. Burnes (St. Joseph).....	Potentate.
William M. Shepherd.....	Chief Rabban.
O. E. Van Dèventer.....	Assistant Rabban.
Walter C. Stewart.....	High Priest.
William B. McNutt.....	Oriental Guide.
George C. Hull.....	Treasurer.
A. M. Worden (7th and Olive Sts.).....	Recorder.
Charles A. Batson.....	First Cer. Master.
H. R. Fardwell.....	Second Cer. Master.
William L. Buechle.....	Marshal.
Josiah W. Batcheller.....	Captain of Guard.
Horatio N. Turner.....	Outer Guard.
Maurice W. Steiner.....	Director.

Founded December 1, 1887.—Number of Members, 139.

43.—MOOLAH TEMPLE, ST. LOUIS, MO.

Otto F. Stifel (St. Louis).....	Potentate.
G. V. R. Mechin.....	Chief Rabban.
Gus. W. Niemann.....	Assistant Rabban.
William Walsh.....	High Priest.
Wm. H. Hofmeister.....	Oriental Guide.
Elisha H. Overstreet.....	Treasurer.
A. Moore Berry (108 No. 4th St.).....	Recorder.
Fred. A. Smith.....	First Cer. Master.
Albert H. Bauer.....	Second Cer. Master.
H. F. Hoppins.....	Marshal.
H. T. Jones.....	Captain of Guard.
John W. Owen.....	Outer Guard.
F. B. Felley.....	Director.

Founded April 26, 1886.—Number of Members, 380.

44.—MOROCCO TEMPLE, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Otis L. Keene (Jacksonville).....	Potentate.
James B. Anderson.....	Chief Rabban.
Bingham H. Chadwick.....	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Stephens.....	High Priest.
Wilbur P. Webster.....	Oriental Guide.
William S. Ware.....	Treasurer.
Irving E. Baird (Bay and Laura Sts.).....	Recorder.

John D. Sinclair	First Cer. Master.
Charles A. Clark	Second Cer. Master.
J. J. H. Bland	Marshal.
Alexander R. Merrill	Captain of Guard.
William N. Emery	Outer Guard.
Henry S. Ely	Director.

Founded March 28, 1888.—Number of Members, 35.

45.—MOSLEM TEMPLE, DETROIT, MICH.

Lou Burt (95 Woodward Ave.)	Potentate.
Fred. Fayram	Chief Rabban.
Charles F. Beck	Assistant Rabban.
A. E. Meigs	High Priest.
O. R. Baldwin	Oriental Guide.
Nicholas Coulson	Treasurer.
William M. Bailey (29 Miami Ave.)	Recorder.
E. R. Harris	First Cer. Master.
Andrew McBride	Second Cer. Master.
C. H. Preston	Marshal.
Wm. T. Simpson	Captain of Guard.
C. A. Palmer	Outer Guard.
Hugh A. Holmes	Director.

Founded June 2, 1880.—Number of Members, 691.

46.—MOUNT SINAI TEMPLE, MONTPELIER, VERMONT.

Collins Blakely (Montpelier)	Potentate.
James E. Curran	Chief Rabban.
Edwin O. Hibbard	Assistant Rabban.
Stephen R. Colby	High Priest.
George D. Wheeler	Oriental Guide.
Frank A. Dumill	Treasurer.
Charles H. Heaton (Lock Box 255)	Recorder.
George M. Goss	First Cer. Master.
William H. Herrick	Second Cer. Master.
Arch M. Bachelder	Marshal.
D. S. Whatley	Captain of Guard.
Russell C. Collins	Outer Guard.
Chas. N. Fuller	Director.

Founded October 31, 1876.—Number of Members, 272.

47.—MURAT TEMPLE, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

John T. Brush (Room 30, When Block)	Potentate.
Chalmers Brown	Chief Rabban.
R. O. Hawkins	Assistant Rabban.

Byron K. Elliott.....	High Priest.
William H. Schmidt.....	Oriental Guide.
Charles F. Meyer	Treasurer.
Joseph W. Smith (4 Ingalls Block).....	Recorder.
Willis C. Vajen.....	First Cer. Master.
Ahira R. White.....	Second Cer. Master.
Frank T. Holliday	Marshal.
Samuel A. Johnston	Captain of Guard.
Frank Wilson	Outer Guard.
Henry H. McGaffey.....	Director.
Founded March 13, 1884. Number of Members, 531.	

48.—NAJA TEMPLE, DEADWOOD, S. D.

Wm. J. McMakin (Terraville).....	Potentate.
D. W. Dickinson.	Chief Rabban.
H. A. Van Wedelstadt....	Assistant Rabban.
J. W. Freeman.....	High Priest.
Cumille Rock.....	Oriental Guide.
Robert Graham.....	Treasurer.
Charles Waite (Welcome Mining Co.)	Recorder.
J. M. Brilsford	First Cer. Master.
M. H. Lyon.....	Second Cer. Master.
D. M. Gillette.....	Marshal.
E. Mahor.....	Captain of Guard.
R. M. Maloney	Outer Guard.
B. F. Ankeny.....	Director.
Founded August 16, 1892. Number of Members, 67.	

49.—ORIENTAL TEMPLE, TROY, N. Y.

Henry Stowell (5 Cannon Pl.).....	Potentate.
Edward Wait.....	Chief Rabban.
Joseph A. Leggett.....	Assistant Rabban.
Daniel H. Ayers	High Priest.
Isaac F. Handy.....	Oriental Guide.
Oliver Dexter, Jr.	Treasurer.
William Pettis (273 River St.).....	Recorder.
F. O. Stiles.....	Marshal.
James H. Crutchley	First Cer. Master.
Charles McCrery.....	Second Cer. Master.
Conrad Hammann.....	Captain of Guard.
Charles Teson	Outer Guard.
Edward P. Lauton.....	Director.
Founded February 6, 1877.—Number of Members, 417.	

50.—OSIRIS TEMPLE, WHEELING, W. VA.

Thomas C. Stevenson (83 Fifteenth St.)	Potentate.
Frank E. McCoy	Chief Rabban.
Stephen Waterhouse, Jr.	Assistant Rabban.
Math. R. Wolff	High Priest.
Wm. F. Shaffer	Oriental Guide.
Wm. A. Wilson	Treasurer.
E. C. Schoen (Wheeling)	Recorder.
Wm. H. Irwin	First Cer. Master.
John K. List	Second Cer. Master.
Luther W. Blayney	Marshal.
Wm. H. Manning	Captain of Guard.
Timothy W. Bliss	Outer Guard.
Edward E. Baldwin	Director.

Founded July 22, 1886.—Number of Members, 308.

51.—OSMAN TEMPLE, ST. PAUL, MINN.

Clarence E. Stone (162 E. Third St.)	Potentate.
F. W. Hugo	Chief Rabban.
J. W. Chamberlin	Assistant Rabban.
Andrew P. Swanstrom	High Priest.
Russell C. Munger	Oriental Guide.
Isaac Seddon	Treasurer.
Orville G. Miller (63 E. 3d St.)	Recorder.
J. F. Spranger	First Cer. Master.
John Fisher	Second Cer. Master.
Lyle M. Fisher	Marshal.
B. A. Provost	Captain of Guard.
Jean O. Fischer	Outer Guard.
William H. S. Wright	Director.

Founded June 20, 1885.—Number of Members, 427.

52.—PALESTINE TEMPLE, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Albert L. Anthony (Providence)	Potentate.
Horace S. Richardson	Chief Rabban.
John S. Rogers	Assistant Rabban.
George L. Shepley	High Priest.
Albert A. Sammis	Oriental Guide.
John G. Massie	Treasurer.
Edwin Baker (70 Weybosset St.)	Recorder.
A. R. Whaley	First Cer. Master.
John F. Oldham	Second Cer. Master.
Joseph H. Potter	Marshal.
Erskine Crumb	Captain of Guard.

Richard Chadwick.....Outer Guard.
 Horace K. Blanchard.....Director.
 Founded Jan. 28, 1886.—Number of Members, 477.

53.—PYRAMID TEMPLE, BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

Thaddeus B. Beecher (P. O. Box 702).....Potentate.
 Clarence M. Foster.....Chief Rabban.
 R. Chas. Tousey.....Assistant Rabban.
 James A. Wilson.....High Priest.
 Henry O. Canfield.....Oriental Guide.
 Charles E. Wilmot.....Treasurer.
 E. Stewart Sumner (45 Wall St.).....Recorder.
 David C. Mills.....First Cer. Master.
 Charles M. Gerdenier.....Second Cer. Master.
 Frank M. Wilson.....Marshal.
 Nelson J. Wakelee.....Captain of Guard.
 Daniel M. Roland.....Outer Guard.
 Eleazar Parmly.....Director.
 Founded April 18, 1877.—Number of Members, 851.

54.—RAJAH TEMPLE, READING, PA.

George E. Haak (Reading).....Potentate.
 Henry P. Kaiser.....Chief Rabban.
 William B. Koch.....Assistant Rabban.
 J. William Josh.....Oriental Guide.
 J. Lewis Rake.....Oriental Guide.
 George P. Gider.....Treasurer.
 Philip Bissinger (611 Penn St.).....Recorder.
 A. R. Hoover.....First Cer. Master.
 Wm. H. Bitting.....Second Cer. Master.
 Joseph W. Day.....Marshal.
 Nevin M. Davis.....Captain of Guard.
 Cyrus H. Krann.....Outer Guard.
 Frank E. James.....Director.
 Founded August 16, 1892.—Number of Members, 133.

55.—RAMESES TEMPLE, TORONTO, CANADA.

Henry A. Collins (30 Melinda St.).....Potentate.
 James Glanville.....Chief Rabban.
 Frank B. Lockwood.....Assistant Rabban.
 W. Simpson.....High Priest.
 F. M. Bell-Smith.....Oriental Guide.
 George S. McConkey.....Treasurer.
 Arthur A. S. Ardagh (55 Yonge St.).....Recorder.

L. B. Montgomery.....	First Cer. Master.
Joseph King.....	Second Cer. Master.
Addison H. Hoover.....	Director.
Christopher J. Hohl.....	Marshal.
Oliver S. Hillman.....	Captain of Guard.
Wm. John Guy.....	Outer Guard.

Founded April 21, 1887.—Number of Members, 100.

56.—SAHARA TEMPLE, PINE BLUFF, ARK.

John T. Marsh (Pine Bluff).....	Potentate.
James Y. Saunders.....	Chief Rabban.
A. G. Thompson.....	Assistant Rabban.
Innes O. Adams.....	High Priest.
David I. Mills.....	Oriental Guide.
Alphonso Brewster.....	Treasurer.
A. B. Grace (Pine Bluff).....	Recorder.
Algernon N. Smith.....	First Cer. Master.
David L. Trimble.....	Second Cer. Master.
S. Geisreiter.....	Marshal.
Robert M. Galbraith.....	Captain of Guard.
William J. D. Vernon.....	Outer Guard.
Marcus L. Bell.....	Director.

Founded April 16, 1889.—Number of Members, 109.

57.—SALAAM TEMPLE, OLNEY, ILL.

M. D. Foster (Olney).....	Potentate.
W. A. Thompson.....	Chief Rabban.
J. W. Stanley.....	Assistant Rabban.
John H. Gunn.....	High Priest.
Nathan Nible.....	Oriental Guide.
Robert N. Stotler.....	Treasurer.
G. D. Slanker (Olney).....	Recorder.
Philip Raling.....	First Cer. Master.
John Kuster.....	Second Cer. Master.
T. A. Fritchey.....	Director.
J. R. Milburn.....	Marshal.
J. O. Wolf.....	Captain of Guard.
H. M. Hall.....	Outer Guard.

Founded January 1, 1884.—Number of Members, 45.

58.—SALADIN TEMPLE, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Lou B. Winsor (Reed City).....	Potentate.
Henry K. Dean.....	Chief Rabban.
E. L. Bowring.....	Assistant Rabban.

Nathan A. Stoddard	High Priest.
Noah H. Reynolds	Oriental Guide.
Thomas S. Freeman	Treasurer.
C. E. Fink (Grand Rapids)	Recorder.
C. B. Quigley	First Cer. Master.
Frank Wurzburg	Second Cer. Master.
L. D. Harris	Marshal.
Frank E. Spoker	Captain of Guard.
Charles H. Brown	Outer Guard.
George E. Dowling	Director.

Founded April 17, 1886.—Number of Members, 502.

59.—SESOSTRIS TEMPLE, LINCOLN, NEB.

James Tyler (111 No. Ninth St.)	Potentate.
John H. Mauritius	Chief Rabban.
Lorenzo D. Woodruff	Assistant Rabban.
Alfred G. Hastings	High Priest.
De Forrest E. Green	Oriental Guide.
John H. McClay	Treasurer.
Frank M. Glenn (8 Union Depot)	Recorder.
Wm. B. McArthur	First Cer. Master.
Alexander H. Hutton	Second Cer. Master.
Walter C. Davis	Marshal.
Joseph Hoppock	Captain of Guard.
James W. Frow	Outer Guard.
Melchert H. Garten	Director.

Founded June 22, 1887.—Number of Members, 301.

60.—SYRIA TEMPLE, PITTSBURGH, PA.

Thomas J. Hudson (P. O. Box 790)	Potentate.
Arthur B. Wigley	Chief Rabban.
Americus V. Holmes	Assistant Rabban.
James S. Arnold	High Priest.
William S. Brown	Oriental Guide.
Joseph Eichbaum	Treasurer.
Frank A. Kingsley, (400 Wood St.)	Recorder.
Oscar C. Gauter	First Cer. Master.
Harry W. Dunlap	Second Cer. Master.
Henry H. Arnold	Marshal.
James Newell	Captain of Guard.
George C. Johnstone	Outer Guard.
James Kerr, Jr.	Director.

Founded May 19, 1877.—Number of Members, 763.

61.—SYRIAN TEMPLE, CINCINNATI, OHIO.

William B. Melish (181 Walnut St.)	Potentate.
William S. Hale	Chief Rabban.
Charles H. Fisk	Assistant Rabban.
Sherwood B. Markland	High Priest.
Joseph Kirkup	Oriental Guide.
Thomas Kite	Treasurer.
Edward C. Harding (15 West Third St.)	Recorder.
Stephen P. Sands	First Cer. Master.
George R. Ebersole	Second Cer. Master.
Edward D. Miller	Marshal.
John E. Bruce	Captain of Guard.
Charles Sutphin	Outer Guard.
William Michie	Director.

Founded November 6, 1876.—Number of Members, 783.

62.—TANGIER TEMPLE, OMAHA, NEB.

Henry C. Aikin (511 So. 12th St.)	Potentate.
L. M. Anderson	Chief Rabban.
Edgar Allen	Assistant Rabban.
James Gilbert	High Priest.
F. A. Fitzpatrick	Oriental Guide.
James S. France	Treasurer.
F. E. Winning (P. O. Box 523)	Recorder.
Charles S. Huntington	First Cer. Master.
Franklin F. Williams	Second Cer. Master.
Charles S. Potter	Marshal.
S. D. Cadwell	Captain of Guard.
Henry Newell	Outer Guard.

Founded April 15, 1889.—Number of Members, 388.

63.—TRIPOLI TEMPLE, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Eugene S. Elliott (80 Wisconsin St.)	Potentate.
Luther L. Caufy	Chief Rabban.
William H. Morris	Assistant Rabban.
Daniel McL. Miller	High Priest.
George N. Wiswell	Oriental Guide.
J. W. Bingham	Treasurer.
Wm. J. Holbrook (P. O. Box 127)	Recorder.
Win. J. Morgan	First Cer. Master.
James S. Norris	Second Cer. Master.
L. Ellsworth	Marshal.
J. P. Carmichael	Captain of Guard.
Leonard Barrett	Outer Guard.

Founded March 9, 1885. Number of Members, 385.

64.—YAARAB TEMPLE, ATLANTA, GA.

H. C. Stockdell (P. O. Box 473).....	Potentate.
C. N. Kight.....	Chief Rabban.
A. P. Woodward.....	Assistant Rabban.
F. M. Fremont.....	High Priest.
C. T. Watson.....	Oriental Guide.
A. W. Hill.....	Treasurer.
H. M. Robinson (Care R. M. S.).....	Recorder.
G. H. Holliday.....	First Cer. Master.
J. R. Wilkinson.....	Second Cer. Master.
Forrest Adair.....	Marshal.
W. S. Larendon.....	Captain of Guard.
B. S. Loyd.....	Outside Guard.
John F. Lester.....	Director.

Founded November 26, 1889.—Number of Members, 162.

65.—ZAMORA TEMPLE, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

Augustus J. Camp (Birmingham).....	Potentate.
Wm. J. Pearce.....	Chief Rabban.
Geo. A. Blinn, Jr.....	Assistant Rabban.
M. D. Montague.....	High Priest.
George F. Wheelock.....	Oriental Guide.
Peter Zinzser.....	Treasurer.
Ben. M. Jacobs (2011 1st Ave.).....	Recorder.
Sam. M. Adler.....	First Cer. Master.
Henry L. Badham.....	Second Cer. Master.
J. R. Wheeler.....	Marshal.
Henry M. Austin.....	Captain of Guard.
Paul Calame.....	Outer Guard.

Founded November 10, 1890.—Number of Members, 65.

66.—ZEM ZEM TEMPLE, ERIE, PA.

Andrew K. McMullen (Erie).....	Potentate.
Frank McSparren.....	Chief Rabban.
Frank G. Maus.....	Assistant Rabban.
Peter Burkey.....	High Priest.
James E. Silliman.....	Oriental Guide.
William C. Shaw.....	Treasurer.
Frank J. Bassett (P. O. Box 645).....	Recorder.
James H. Montgomery.....	First Cer. Master.
Jos. H. Williams.....	Second Cer. Master.
Frank M. Lamb.....	Marshal.
Charles F. Miller.....	Captain of Guard.

Daniel C. Kendig.....Outer Guard.
Joseph A. Stern.....Director.
Founded December 22, 1891.—Number of Members, 132.

67.—ZIYARA TEMPLE, UTICA, N. Y.

John W. Boyle (30 Arcade).....Potentate.
Roderick Campbell.....Chief Rabban.
Orville A. Burnham.....Assistant Babban.
John W. Reynolds.....High Priest.
Herbert H. Klock.....Oriental Guide.
Noble F. Martin.....Treasurer.
Jacob Scheehl (9 Brinkerhoff Ave.).....Recorder.
John H. Grant.....First Cer. Master.
Edward M. Wordard.....Second Cer. Master.
John L. Babbitt.....Marshal.
James H. Gilmore.....Captain of Guard.
Benjamin J. Thomas.....Outer Guard.
George D. Frank.....Director.
Founded October 30, 1877.—Number of Members, 452.

68.—ZUHRAH TEMPLE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

J. W. Nash.....Potentate.
Chas. D. Bryce.....Chief Rabban.
C. C. Curtiss.....Assistant Rabban.
C. H. Spencer.....High Priest.
H. L. Daniels.....Oriental Guide.
J. M. Williams.....Treasurer.
H. M. Myers (704 Masonic Temple).....Recorder.
R. H. Hartley.....First Cer. Master.
A. A. Keith.....Second Cer. Master.
W. H. Lyon.....Marshal.
F. M. Hutchinson.....Captain of Guard.
William Cove.....Outer Guard.
John L. Schlener.....Director.
Founded July 25, 1885.—Number of Members, 337.

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JUNE 14, 1893.

1. Alabama.....	Zamora Temple.
2. Arkansas.....	Sahara Temple.
3. California.....	Al Malaikah and Islam Temples.
4. Colorado.....	El Jebel Temple.
5. Connecticut.....	Pyramid Temple.
6. District of Columbia.....	Almas Temple.
7. Florida.....	Morocco Temple.
8. Georgia.....	Yaarab Temple.
9. Illinois.....	Medinah, Salaam and Mohammed Temples.
10. Indiana.....	Murat Temple.
11. Iowa.....	El Kahir and Kaaba Temples.
12. Kansas.....	Abdallah and Isis Temples.
13. Kentucky.....	Kosair Temple.
14. Louisiana.....	Jerusalem Temple.
15. Maine.....	Kora Temple.
15. Maryland.....	Boumi Temple.
17. Massachusetts.....	Aleppo Temple.
18. Michigan.....	Moslem, Saladin and Ahmed Temples.
19. Minnesota.....	Osman and Zuhrah Temples.
20. Missouri.....	Ararat, Moila and Moolah Temples.
21. Mississippi.....	Hamasa Temple.
22. Montana.....	Algeria Temple.
23. Nebraska.....	Sesostris and Tangier Temples.
24. New Mexico.....	Ballut Abyad Temple.
25. New York.....	} Cyprus, Damascus, Ismailia, Kismet, Media, Mecca, Oriental and Ziyara Temples.
26. North Dakota.....	
27. Ohio.....	Syrian, Al Koran and Aladdin Temples.
28. Oregon.....	Al Kader Temple.
29. Pennsylvania.....	Syria, Lu Lu, Zem Zem and Rajah Temples.
30. Rhode Island.....	Palestine Temple.
31. South Dakota.....	Naja and El Riad Temples.
32. Tennessee.....	Al Chymia and Alhambra Temples.
33. Texas.....	Ben Hur and Hella Temples.
34. Utah.....	El Kalah Temple.
35. Vermont.....	Mount Sinai Temple.
36. Virginia.....	Acca Temple.
37. Washington.....	El Katif and Afifi Temples.
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39. Wisconsin.....	Tripoli Temple.
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